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OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE

Chairman, H. B. Musselman. Secretary, C. H. Brunner.

Recording Secretary, C. W. STINE.
Statistical Secretary, J. G. SHIREMAN.
Financial Secretary, J. F. BARRALL.
Treasurer, ALLEN M. GEHMAN.

OFFICERS FOR 1908-1909

Chairman, H. B. Musselman. Secretary, C. H. Brunner. Treasurer, Allen M. Gehman.

PRESIDING ELDERS

BETHLEHEM DISTRICT-H. B. MUSSELMAN

Vice Presiding Elder-J. C. ROTH

MT. CARMEL DISTRICT - W. G. GEHMAN

Vice Presiding Elder—C. H. BRUNNER Missionary Presiding Elder—W. B. MUSSELMAN.

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

Committee over the Presiding Elders—W. S. Hottel, J. G. Shireman, E. N. Cassel.

Board of Examiners—(a) Applicants—H. B. Musselman. (b) Probationers—President, J. C. Roth; Secretary, W. S. Hottel; Treasurer, E. N. Cassel.

Board of Foreign Missions—President, H. B. Musselman; Secretary, C. H. Brunner; Treasurer, Allen M. Gehman; W. G. Gehman, J. C. Roth.

Board of Trustees of the Orphanage and Home-President, H. B. Musselman; Secretary, W. S. Hottel; Treasurer, C. H. Brunner; Superintendent, W. G. Gehman. For two years: J. G. Shireman, E. T. Shick, J. C. Roth, W. S. Hottel, O. B. Bartholomew, Oscar Baer. For one year: H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman, E. N. Cassel, C. H. Brunner, Allen M. Gehman, H. L. Musselman.

Executive Board—President, H. B. Musselman; Secretary, C. H. Brunner; Treasurer, J. C. Roth; W. G. Gehman, E. N. Cassel.

Board of Deacons—President, H. G. MUSSELMAN; Secretary, R. T. LAUDENSLAGER; Treasurer, A. A. WISMER.

Committee on Printing — Chairman, W. G. Gehman; Secretary, C. H. Brunner; J. C. Roth.

Campmeeting Equipage Committee—Chairman, J. C. Roth; Secretary, E. N. Cassel; F. M. Hottel.

Beneficiary Society — President, J. C. Roth; Secretary, W. S. Hottel; Treasurer, J. F. Barrall.

Conference Fund-Secretary, J. G. SHIREMAN; Treasurer, W. J.

Camp Meeting Equipment Fund — Secretary, J. F. Barrall; Treasurer, Allen M. Gehman.

 $\begin{tabular}{lll} Gospel & Herald & Society-W. G. Gehman, President and Treasurer. \\ & Gospel & Worker & Society-W. B. & Musselman, General Superintendent and Treasurer. \\ \end{tabular}$

BUSINESS RULES OF THE CONFERENCE

- 1. Two sessions shall be held daily, as follows: From 8 to 11.30 a.m., and from 1 to 5 p.m.
- 2. The Chairman shall take his seat precisely at the time to which the Conference adjourned, open and conduct the devotional exercises. The Secretary shall call the roll, and read the minutes of the preceding session, after which business shall proceed as follows:
- (a) Committee Reports. (b) Petitions. (c) Unfinished Business-(d) Miscellaneous Business.
- 3. Anyone wishing to speak shall rise and respectfully address the Chair. In case more than one should address the Chair at the same time, the Chairman shall decide who is entitled the floor.
- 4. No one shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes on any subject unless he receives permission by the Chair.
- 5. No one shall speak the second time until all who desire have spoken. He shall then ask permission of the Chairman.
 - 6. It shall be the duty of the Chairman to preserve order.

COMMITTEES.

The following Committees shall be appointed by the Chairman, subject to the approval of the Conference:

- 1. Committee on Worship.
- 2. Committee on Communication.
- 3. Committee on Finance.
- 4. Committee on Statistics.
- 5. Committee on Examination of Quarterly Conference Records.
- 6. Committee on Examination of Traveling Elders.
- 7. Committee on Examination of Presiding Elders, Local Preachers, Evangelists and Missionaries.
- 8. Committee on Examination of Applicants for Annual Conference License.
 - 9. Committee on Examination of Candidates for Ordination.
- 10. Committee on Resolutions.
- 11. Auditing Committee.

OTHER COMMITTEES.

- 1. Committee over the Presiding Elders.
- 2. Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee.
- 3. Board of Examiners on the Reading Course.
- 4. Board of Foreign Missions.
- 5. Executive Board.
- 6. Board of Trustees of the Orphanage and Home.
- 7. Board of Deacons.
- 8. Camp Meeting Equipage Committee.

SPECIAL LAWS AND RESOLUTIONS

We print here from the Records for convenient reference the following Laws and Regulations, together with the time of their enactment.

I.—MEMBERS OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

A.—The following shall be the members of the Annual Conference:

(a) Ordained Ministers.

(b) Probationers who have charge.

- (c) One delegate from each charge, elected by ballot at the last Quarterly Conference in the Conference year. [Act of General Conference, 1892.]
- (d) Each Quarterly Conference shall elect one Alternate Delegate to the Annual Conference. [Enacted March 7, 1898.]
- (e) It is requested that all the members of the Annual Conference shall be present at each session. In case of absence they shall submit a written report and cause of absence. [Enacted February 3, 1892.]
- (f) If a delegate fails to be present at the beginning of the Annual Conference session, except detained through sickness or accident, the Conference is not bound to recognize him as a member. [Enacted February 3, 1894.]
- (g) The delegates from the Missions who expect support from the Conference shall not be members of the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee. [Enacted February 22, 1897.]

B.-Advisory Members.

The following shall be Advisory Members of the Annual Conference:

- (a) Annual Conference Licensed Evangelists and Missionaries.
- (b) Quarterly Conference Licensed Missionaries.
- (c) Local Workers. [Enacted February 7, 1896.]

II.-APPLICANTS AND PROBATIONERS.

A.—No applicants for the Ministry shall be received into the Conference as Probationers who are not willing to submit themselves unconditionally to the Stationing Committee or Gospel Herald Society. [Revised October 17, 1903.

B.—All applicants for the Ministry shall be examined by their respective Presiding Elders on our Articles of Faith and Church Discipline at the same time and place when the Probationers are examined on the Reading Course. [Enacted February 8, 1893.]

C.—The Annual Lessons for Probationers on the Reading Course for each class shall be divided into two parts. Probationers shall be examined semi-annually by a written examination by a committee to be appointed annually by the Annual Conference for this purpose. [Enacted February 1, 1895.]

D.—The traveling and other expenses of the Reading Course Committee and Probationers at the spring examination shall be paid out of the Conference Fund. [Enacted October, 1906.]

E.—No Probationer shall be ordained who is not fully in line with our doctrine, with the itinerant plan, and submission to the Conference. [Enacted February 3, 1890.]

III.—QUARTERLY CONFERENCE RULES.

A.—Each Pastor shall see that the Summary Financial Reports are correctly compiled and appended to the proceedings of the last Quarterly Conference of the current year.

B.—The Presiding Elder shall nominate the Secretaries of the Quarterly Conferences and the Quarterly Conferences shall elect them. [Enacted October 15, 1906.]

C—All officers of Quarterly Conference who are absent from Quarterly Conference shall submit a written report and a satisfactory excuse. Failing to do this, they shall appear before the next Quarterly Conference. If such are absent the next time without submitting a written report and statement of the cause of absence, they shall be removed from office. [Enacted February 3, 1894.]

D.—We will not permit any of our Quarterly Conference Licensed Workers to travel as Evangelists, except by permission of the Annual Conference [Enacted February 22, 1897.]

E.—The classes shall elect no ministers to any office. [Enacted February 3, 1894.]

F.—No person shall be elected to the office of Deacon, Class Leader, or Sunday School Superintendent who uses or deals in tobacco. [Enacted February 20, 1897.]

G.—The class leaders and stewards shall be elected shortly before, and their term of office begin immediately after, the last Quarterly Conference. [Enacted October 28, 1904.]

H.—The Quarterly Conference accounts of the Stewards shall be from quarter to quarter, and the reports on the schedules from October 1 to October 1. In case a pastor is changed his allowances shall end with the month of September. [Enacted October 28, 1904.]

I.—The former pastor shall see that the rent is paid for the month of October before he moves from his charge. [Enacted October 15, 1905.]

J.—The pastors shall leave their former charge as soon as possible after Conference. [Enacted October 15, 1905.]

IV.—OFFERINGS.

A.—Foreign Missions, Harvest Home.—Each Pastor shall continue to hold a Harvest Home Service at each appointment annually, and speak on Foreign Missionary Work. These services shall be held soon after the Annual Conference, and a subscription for Foreign Missions shall be taken on the occasion, to be collected before February 1st. [Enacted February 3, 1894.]*

B.—Missionary Day.—The Pastor shall see that the Superintendent of each Sunday School appoint a "Missionary Day" annually. In this service the necessity of establishing and supporting Foreign Missions shall be impressed upon the minds of the children, and a collection taken up for the same. [Enacted February 3, 1894.]

C.—Missionary Presiding Elder.—Each class shall lift a free will offering for the Missionary Presiding Elder every Quarter. [Enacted February 20, 1897.]

D.—Gospel Workers.—A free will offering shall be lifted for the Gospel Workers in each class at a monthly prayer meeting held by their respective class-leaders. [Enacted February 20, 1897.]

E.—Beneficiary Fund.—We recommend each Pastor to make a special

E.—Beneficiary Fund.—We recommend each Pastor to make a special effort to swell the Beneficiary Fund to assist the worthy widows of our deceased pastors. [Enacted October 29, 1904.]

*NOTE. The members of our Church shall be respectfully recommended to forward their funds for the Foreign Missionaries through the Foreign Missionary Board and not to the missionaries directly, which would lessen or cause to neglect their contributions in the direct channel provided by Conference for the support pledged to our respective missionaries.

F .- Poor Fund. -- The Pastor, or somebody appointed by him, shall hold a Special Service at each appointment, on which occasion the Annual Offering for the Poor shall be received. All moneys collected for charitable purposes, not paid over to the Treasurer of the Poor Fund, shall be included in the report of the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees. [Enacted February 20, 1897.]
G.—Conference Fund.—An offering shall be lifted once a year in a

prayer meeting, in each class by their respective class-leaders for the Conference Fund. The pastor in charge shall bring the same to the Annual Conference. [Enacted October 20, 1902.]

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H.-Equipment Fund.-In case there is more collected at a camp meeting than is needed to pay all expenses, the balance shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Annual Conference, who shall hold it as an Equipment Fund to be used to buy equipments for camp meetings, such as tabernacles, lamps, etc., as may be needed from time to time according to the decision of the Presiding Elders and the camp meeting commit-

tees. [Enacted October 28, 1904]
I.—Collections.—The pastor shall have charge of the offerings for the Poor, Foreign and Home Missionary work, and Conference Fund, until the Annual Conference, unless needed sooner. The offerings for the Missionary Presiding Elder and Gospel Workers shall be delivered to the Presiding Elder at the Quarterly Conference and reported by the pastor to the Annual Conference. All collections received on a charge for the building or purchase of churches, parsonages or other purposes on another charge shall be reported by the pastor where collected. [Enacted October 28, 1904.]

J.—The money paid to any pastor for our Orphanage and Home shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees through the Secretary The Secretary shall credit it on the Records and the Treasurer shall

acknowledge it. [Enacted October 12, 1906.]

V.—SPECIAL SERVICES.

A.—Matrimony.—Each pastor shall preach a sermon on Matrimony

at each appointment on his charge in the first year.

B.—The Lord's Coming.—Believing that the coming of the Lord is rapidly approaching; therefore we recommend our ministers to give still more earnest prominence to this blessed hope of the church as we see

the Day approaching. [Enacted February 4, 1894.] C.—As the Scriptures contain a number of instances where children of Godly parents were formally and publicly dedicated to the Lord, (1 Sam. 22; 28: Mark 10: 13-16,) we heartily encourage our people to dedicate their children to the Lord by prayer and laying on of the hands of the Elders, who shall then furnish proper certificates. [Enacted

October 28, 1904.]
D.—Class Meetings.—Each pastor shall hold a class meeting four times a year in each class, and read the general rules or get them read once a

year. [Discipline, page 72.] E.—Camp Meetings.—Camp meetings shall be held annually accord-E.—Camp Meetings.—Camp meetings shall be held annually according to the decision of the Presiding Elders and pastors of their respective districts. The advisability of having boarding stands at the various camp meetings shall be left to the decision of the Presiding Elder. [Enacted September 17, 1900.] There shall be a General Camp Meeting Committee, consisting of two Presiding Elders and the Chairman of each Camp Meeting Committee, to which matters that may refer to Camp Meetings in general may be referred. [Enacted October, 1906.] F.—Sunday School Conventions.—One or more Sunday School Conventions shall be held annually. The officers shall be elected at the Annual Conference. The committee on programme shall meet six

Annual Conference. The committee on programme shall meet six weeks before the convention to arrange a programme. Each Sunday School shall be represented by the Superintendent, and one delegate from the laity. The superintendents, delegates and essayists shall have their fares paid. Each Superintendent shall take up a liberal collection to defray the expenses of the convention. [Enacted October 29, 1904.]

G.—Funerals. We recommend our ministers not to officiate at Sunday funerals, and use their influence strongly against the same. [En-

acted October 29, 1904.]

H .- The editor of the Conference Journal shall arrange a brief report of the Sunday services at the Annual Conference to be published in the Conference Journal [Enacted October 13, 1905.]

VI.-MISCELLANEOUS.

A.—Transfers—When a good standing member moves from one class to another, his or her name shall be transferred at once. [Enacted Feb-

ruary 3, 1894.]

B.—Each pastor shall bring an itemized report to the Annual Conference, according to the form of the report of the Financial Secretary.

C.—The Annual Conference shall elect a Board of Trustees consisting of eight ordained ministers and four laymen who shall have full charge of all the arrangements and management of the Orphanage and Home. They shall be elected for a term of two years. They shall be so elected that the term of office of four preachers and two laymen expires at each Annual Conference.

D .- A Board of Foreign Missions consisting of five shall be elected annually. The President shall call and preside over the meetings of the board held annually or oftener. The Secretary shall communicate with the Foreign Missionaries and report to the Annual Conference. The Treasurer shall report the financial standing of the board to the Annual

Conference.

E.—The Treasurer of the Home and Foreign Funds shall be authorized to loan money without interest out of these funds to the M. P. E. of the Gospel Worker Society, according to the judgment of the Treasurer and

Presiding Elders.

F.-Whenever the Gospel Worker Society turns one or more missions over to the church, a committee, consisting of the Presiding Elders, Treasurer, and Missionary Presiding Elder, shall appraise the personal property or real estate belonging to said mission in case the Church chooses to buy said property, paying the same out of the Home Mission treasury. [Enacted October 28, 1904]

G .-- No charges shall be brought against any Annual Conference member which have not been recorded in the Quarterly Conference proceeding of their charge, except such as have been committed or discovered

since the last quarterly conference. [Enacted February 1, 1891.]
H.—All expenses of committees of investigation, appointed by the Presiding Elder, shall be paid out of the Couference Fund. [Revised

October 17, 1903.]

I.—The minutes shall be published only in the Conference Journal. The Secretary shall be privileged to curtail them as he sees fit and have them published in the Gospel Banner. [Revised October 14, 1907.]

J.—The pastors shall pay their Conference Journals within one week after they receive them. [Enacted October 13, 1905.]

K.—The Financial Secretary of the Annual Conference shall be Secretary of the Home Mission Fund. [Enacted October 13, 1905.]

L.—The Annual Conference shall supply class books, steward's books, seem theats, trustee beats and all the other receiver the difference of the conference of the other receivers.

rent books, trustee books, and all the other account books for the different charges to be paid for out of the Conference Fund. [Enacted October 15, 1906.]

M.—Each pastor shall record the mailing lists of the subscribers of the "Gospel Banner" and "Gospel Herald" in a book together with an accurate statement of the account of each subscriber to be transferred to

his successor. [Enacted October 15, 1906.]

Annual Conference Proceedings

1908

FIRST SESSION

Thursday Forenoon, October 8, 1908

The Twenty-fifth Annual Conference of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ of Pennsylvania, convened in Ebenezer

Church, Bethlehem, Pa., at 8 A.M., October 8, 1908.

The first session was opened by singing "I need Thee every hour," and prayer by the Chairman, H. B. Musselman, P. E., after which he gave us an earnest and practical address on the second chapter of Philippians. This was followed by a season of earnest prayer for the blessing of God and the guidance of the Holy Spirit during the Conference Session.

The following members were enrolled:

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Present. - H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman, W. B. Musselman, C. H. Brunner, J. C. Roth, Wm. Gehman, J. G. Shireman, E. N. Cassel, R. L. Woodring, J. F. Barrall, E. T. Shick, W. J. Fretz, G. A. Campbell, R. Bergstresser, W. S. Hottel, O. S. Hillegass, L. B. Taylor, W. W. Zimmerman, E. E. Kublic and P. J. Musselman.

Absent.—H. L. Weiss, of Chile.

PROBATIONERS

Present.—C. W. Stine, F. M. Hottel, H. K. Kratz, V. H. Reinhart and C. A. Parson.

DELEGATES

Present-H. L. Musselman, G. O. Billig, John Ziegler, G. J. H. Baus, R. T. Laudenslager, R. D. Dreisbach, M. M. Ziegler, Allen M. Gehman, S. H. Lichtenthaler, J. A. Kern, O. B. Bartholomew, H. E. Gackenback, G. K. Himmelreich and S. S. Geil. Ray Klinger, H. H. Bergey, E. R. Hartman, M. E. Stickler,

Absent.—None.

ADVISORY MEMBERS

Present.—G. F. Yost, C. A. Parson, D. H. Manney, J. F. Anderson, G. M. Reinbold, H. A. Kauffman, E. F. Richard and M. W. Ettinger.

Resolved, That the seats to the right and left of the Chair and the first three pews throughout the church constitute the Conference Bar.

Resolved, That the minutes of the last Annual Conference be not read. The Chair shall appoint a committee to exam-

ine them.

Resolved, That the Chair appoint a committee of three to print the essay on "Present Day Dangers Confronting the Church," by C. H. Brunner. He appointed E. N. Cassel, J. C. Roth and W. G. Gehman.

The Secretary appointed his assistants as follows: Recording Secretary, C. W. Stine: Statistical Secretary, J. G. Shire-

man; Financial Secretary, J. F. Barrall.

Resolved, That the Chair appoint a Reporter and a Time-keeper. He appointed W. J. Fretz and E. E. Kublic, respectively.

The following committees were appointed by the Chair and

approved by the Conference:

Committee on Worship.—J. C. Roth and H. L. Musselman. Committee on Communications.—R. L. Woodring, W. G. Gehman and E. T. Shick.

Committee on Finance.—J. F. Barrall, Allen M. Gehman and G. O. Billig.

Committee on Statistics.—J. G. Shireman and H. L. Musselman.

Committee on Examination of Quarterly Conference Records.

—E. T. Shick, R. Bergstresser, W. W. Zimmerman, E. E. Kublic, H. E. Gackenback, C. W. Stine, M. M. Ziegler, M. E. Stickler, R. T. Laudenslager, F. M. Hottel and John Ziegler.

Committee on Examination of Traveling Elders.—G. A.

Campbell, Wm. Gehman and L. B. Taylor.

Committee on Examination of Presiding Elders, Local Preachers, Evangelists and Missionaries.—W. S. Hottel, E. N. Cassel, O. S. Hillegass and G. K. Himmelreich.

Committee on Applicants for Annual Conference License.—W. G. Gehman, J. C. Roth and W. S. Hottel.

Committee on Applicants for Ordination.—J. C. Roth, C. H. Brunner and E. N. Cassel.

Committee on Resolutions.—W. G. Gehman, J. C. Roth and W. S. Hottel.

Auditing Committee.—E. N. Cassel, R. L. Woodring, W. J. Fretz, H. H. Bergey, S. S. Geil, P. J. Musselman, O. B. Bartholomew, R. D. Dreisbach, E. R. Hartman, J. H. Baus, H. K. Kratz, V. H. Reinhart, G. Ray Klinger and S. H. Lichtenthaler.

Committee to Audit Schedules.-J. G. Shireman and J. F.

Barrall.

Committee on Annual Conference Records.—J. C. Roth, E. N. Cassel and W. G. Gehman.

Resolved. That the time allowed for the oral reports of each pastor be limited to ten minutes.

The pastors now began to submit their oral reports. Resolved, That we adjourn to the call of the Chair.

Prayer by W. S. Hottel.

Adjourned.

SECOND SESSION

Thursday Afternoon, October 8, 1908.

The session opened at 2.30 P.M., at the call of the chair. Prayer by R. D. Dreisbach.

The roll was called, after which the minutes of the previous

session were read and approved.

The reports of the following committees were submitted and received:

Committee on Worship.—G. F. Yost shall preach to-night followed with an invitation by C. A. Parson.

J. C. Roth,

H. L. Musselman, Committee.

Committee on Examination of Annual Conference Minutes for 1905 and 1906.—We have examined the Minutes of the Conference of 1905 and 1906, and found a few mistakes which we had the Secretary to correct.

E. N. Cassel, J. C. Roth, H. B. Musselman, Committee.

Committee on the Reading Course.—(See Report.)

Auditing Committee.—We have audited the following accounts: Quarterly Conference Records, Orphanage, Conference Fund, Equipment Fund, Home Mission, Foreign Mission, Camp Meeting, Board of Deacons, Presiding Elders, Gospel Herald Society, and Sunday School Conventions, and found them correct with the following exceptions: Mt. Carmel Quarterly Conference Record; the offering of the first quarter for the Presiding Elder not corresponding with the Summary. Nazareth and Plainfield Quarterly Conference record on page 89 in the Steward's report. Fleetwood, Blandon, Terre Hill and Remps Quarterly Conference record in Summary of Gospel Worker's offerings.

Hellertown Camp Meeting Secretary's account on page 115.

Shamokin Camp Meeting Treasurer's account on the third last page,

E. N. Cassel,
R. L. Woodring,
W. J. Fretz,
H. H. Bergey,
J. H. Baus,
S. S. Geil,
S. H. Lichtenthaler,
R. R. Hartman,
P. J. Musselman,
O. B. Bartholomew,
R. D. Dreisbach,
V. H. Reinhart,
G. Ray Klinger,
H. K. Kratz,

Committee.

Committee on Examination of Quarterly Conference Records.

—We examined the Quarterly Conference Records and found them all correct except Philadelphia record, and Fleetwood, Blandon, Terre Hill and Remps record summary reports not signed by the Secretary.

Quakertown and Hatfield record; no mention made of devotional exercises in the second, third and fourth quarters. Also no mention of exhortations on duties of officers, nor duties of members towards the pastor.

Mt. Carmel recorded no devotional exercises throughout. Gratersford and Harleysville records no election of Secretary.

Nazareth and Plainfield records no devotional exercises in the first and second quarters.

E. T. Shick
F. M. Hottel
E. E. Kublic
M. M. Ziegler
John Ziegler
R. T. Laudenslager

R. Bergstresser
C. W. Stine
W. W. Zimmeman
H. E. Gackenbach
M. E. Stickler

Committee.

Committee to Audit Schedules.—We have audited the scheddules and found them all correct.

J. F. Barrall, J. G. Shireman, Committee.

Committee on Examination of Presiding Elders, Local Preachers, Evangelists and Missionaries.—We have examined the Presiding Elders, Local Preachers, and Missionaries and have found them all satisfactory.

W. S. Hottel, E. N. Cassel, O. S. Hillegass, G. K. Himmelreich, Committee.

Committee on Examination of Traveling Elders.—We have examined the Traveling Elders and found no complaint but

all found satisfactory. L. Frank Haas has been suspended so we did not examine him.

> G. A. Campbell, Wm. Gehman, L. B. Taylor,

Committee.

Committee on Statistics.—We examined the Schedules and found them all correct.

J. G. Shireman,

H. L. Musselman, Committee.

Committee on Communications.—We received communications from W. B. Musselman, stating that he is unspeakably busy, and if possible desires Conference to excuse him from being present, or at least being present one certain day only. We recommend that Conference wire him that we are exceeding sorry for his absence and desire his presence for Sunday evening and Monday until Conference closes.

R. L. Woodring, W. G. Gehman, E. T. Shick,

Committee.

Committee on Resolutions.—Resolved, That the Chairman of this Conference appoint a Committee of three to see to all the necessary printing during the year.

W. G. Gehman, J. C. Roth,

W. S. Hottel, Committee.

The Chair appointed W. G. Gehman, J. C. Roth and C. H. Brunner.

Superintendent of the Orphanage and Home.—(See Report.) Executive Board.—The work assigned to the Executive Board has made good progress and the Board hopes to give a more complete report in the near future,

W. G. Gehman, H. B. Musselman C. H. Brunner, Wm. Gehman G. A. Campbell, Board.

The rest of the oral reports of the pastors were heard. These reports were very encouraging. Many were saved, baptized and added to the church. The special offerings in general exceeded those of any former year notwithstanding The open-air services are well attended and the hard times. the Sunday School work is making progress.

Resolved, That we meet as a Committee of the Whole in the basement of the church this evening at 7.30 to consider matters relative to the Orphanage and Home, to L. Frank Haas, the work of the Executive Board and other business that may

present itself.

WHEREAS, Bro. C. W. Stine has passed the Reading Course satisfactorily, therefore

Resolved, That he be referred to the Committee on Ordination.

The President of the Gospel Herald Society submitted the names of G. F. Yost, H. A. Kauffman and D. H. Manney to the Conference as applicants for Annual Conference license. These brethren expressed the nature of their call to the satisfaction of the Conference and were recommended to the Committee on Applicants.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the next Annual Conference be elected Editor of the Conference Journal for the next

Resolved, That we hold a Ministerial Convention some time in the middle of the year, for one day. The Presiding Elders and one whom they shall appoint, shall constitute a committee to arrange a programme and set the date. All ordained ministers or probationers having charge of a work shall be present. A hearty invitation shall also be extended to the ministers' wives and families.

The following reports were submitted and received:

Report of the Treasurer of the Orphanage and Home. (See Report.)

Report of the Treasurer of the Beneficiary Fund. (See Report.)
Report of the Treasurer of the Bethlehem District Sunday
School Convention. (See Report.)

Report of the Treasurer of the Mt. Carmel District Sunday School Convention. (See Report.)

Report of the Treasurer of the Camp Meeting Equipment Fund. (See Report.)

Adjourned by prayer by P. J. Musselman.

THIRD SESSION

Friday Morning, October 9, 1908.

This session was opened by prayer by E. N. Cassel. The roll was called, after which the minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The following reports were submitted and received:

Committee on Examination of Applicants for Annual Conference License.—We examined the applicants, H. A. Kauffman, G. F. Yost and D. H. Manney, and recommend the Conference to receive them according to the discipline.

W. G. Gehman, J. C. Roth, W. S. Hottel, Committee. Committee on Ordination.—We have examined C. W. Stine and recommend the Conference to ordain him on Sunday afternoon.

J. C. Roth, C. H. Brunner, E. N. Cassel, Committee.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Whereas, Charges have been preferred against L. Frank Haas, causing his suspension, which charges were sustained and admitted to, therefore

Resolved. That he be no longer a member of our Church

and Conference.

Resolved, That we elect an Executive Board, consisting of five unconditional men to be elected annually, who shall have power to act as trustees with authority to purchase, hold, sell otherwise dispose of personal property and real estate in behalf of the Annual Conference of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ of Pennsylvania.

Resolved, That the above Executive Board shall be the party of the second part in the matter of the transfer of the Church

property on Third street, Quakertown, Pa.

Resolved, That the Executive Board be authorized to secure the funds necessary to purchase the above property including expenses and give acceptable security.

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of the Orphanage and Home have recently purchased a property in Centre Valley,

therefore

Resolved, That we heartily approve of the said action of the Board, and cheerfully accept the property and call the price paid very reasonable, and further be it

Resolved, That each pastor present the matter clearly and fully before his congregation and take up a liberal subscrip-

tion for the above, to be paid in by May 1, 1909.

Resolved, That we add two preachers, and one layman to the present number of members of the Board of Trustees.

Resolved, That we change the term of office of the Trustees

from three years to two years.

Resolved, That at this Conference we elect two preachers, and one layman for one year, and two preachers and one layman to serve two years on the Board of Trustees of the

Orphanage and Home.

Whereas, The Superintendent of the Orphanage and Home has so wisely managed the farm and at the same time being compelled by the pressure of the work, to assist in the work himself more than should have been expected, infringing upon his precious time and other duties, therefore

Resolved, That we greatly appreciate his services during

the past and further,

Resolved, That we ask the Conference to re-elect him and further ask the Board of Trustees to secure a manager for the farm to work under the instructions of the Superintendent and the Board of Trustees.

Resolved, That we recommend the Conference, to elect J. C. Roth, W. S. Hottel and Oscar Baer to serve as trustees of

the Orphanage and Home for two years.

J. C. Roth, *Chairman*, C. W. Stine, *Secretary*.

Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions. (See Report.)
Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missons. (See Report.)
Treasurer of the Board of Deacons. (See Report.)

Resolved, That we erase the Secretary's name from the re-

ports of the Treasurers.

Resolved, That the Treasurers sign and submit the reports

of the various Treasuries.

Resolved, That the Chair appoint a committee of three to draw up regulations concerning the recording of the accounts of the Secretaries of the respective Camp Meetings. He appointed W. G. Gehman, E. N. Cassel and J. C. Roth.

The Presiding Elders now submitted their oral and financial

reports.-

A.—Mt. Carmel District, W. G. Gehman, P. E.—The work looks good. The ministry is very well united. We had a very good Camp Meeting, of 75 tents at Shamokin, which has been a great blessing. The dull times hardly affected our finances. Our missions have a lot of good solid people. (For Financial

Report see Reports.)

B.—Bethlehem District, H. B. Musselman, P. E. Love and unity have been prevailing throughout. Services have been remarkably well attended on Sundays, prayer meetings, openair meetings and Sunday Schools. We have very many young people who are doing exceptionally well. Notwithstanding the financial depression, the offerings were much higher than before, besides many improvements on Church properties. Camp meetings were larger than ever and many were saved and baptized at each. (For Financial Report see Reports.)

C.—Gospel Herald Society, W. G. Gehman, President.—The young men are doing very well. Some of them are very strong characters. They are loyal and preach and work with enthusiasm. Their work is very difficult. Their domestic work in the missions, preaching every night and making a great many calls speaks well for their energy and faithfulness. Grand tent meetings were held at Hackettstown, N. J.; Washington, N. J., and Sunbury, Pa. (For Financial Report see Reports.)

WHEREAS, There are several hundred dollars left of the

Home Mission Funds of last year, therefore Resolved, That we will offer W. G. Gehman, President of the Gospel Herald Society, the privilege to apply that balance from last year to those church properties under his supervision last year.

Resolved, That we elect two Presiding Elders.

The Secretary called the roll of unconditional and condi-

tional members with the following results:

Unconditional.—H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman, W. B. Musselman, C. H. Brunner, J. C. Roth, E. N. Cassel, J. G. Shireman, Wm. Gehman, R. L. Woodring, J. F. Barrall, E. T. Shick, W. J. Fretz, R. Bergstresser, W. S. Hottel, O. S. Hillegass, F. M. Hottel, L. B. Taylor, W. W. Zimmerman, P. J. Musselman, E. E. Kublic, H. K. Kratz, C. W. Stine and V. H. Reinhart.

Conditional.—G. A. Campbell.

Resolved, That the Chair appoint tellers. He appointed W. S. Hottel and J. F. Barrall.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Resolved, That we elect all the officers by nomination and The following were elected:

Presiding Elders.—H. B. Musselman and W. G. Gehman.

Missionary Presiding Elder.-W. B. Musselman.

Resolved, That H. B. Musselman be Chairman of the next Annual Conference, and C. H. Brunner, Secretary.

The election of officers was continued as follows:

Treasurer—Allen M. Gehman.

Vice Presiding Elders-J. C. Roth and C. H. Brunner. Committee over the Presiding Elders-W. S. Hottel, J. G.

Shireman and E. N. Cassel.

Resolved, That H. B. Musselman be Presiding Elder of the Bethlehem District and W. G. Gehman, be Presiding Elder of the Mt. Carmel District.

Resolved, That J. C. Roth be Vice Presiding Elder under H. B. Musselman and C. H. Brunner be Vice Presiding Elder

under W. G. Gehman.

Board of Foreign Missions. - H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman, C. H. Brunner, J. C. Roth, and Allen M. Gehman.

Committee on the Reading Course.—E. N. Cassel, J. C.

Roth, and W. S. Hottel.

Board of Deacons.—R. T. Laudenslager, A. A. Wismer and H. G. Musselman.

Superintendent of the Orphanage and Home.—W. G. Geh-

Board of Trustees of the Orphanage and Home.—For two years: J. C. Roth, W. S. Hottel, and Oscar Baer. For one year: E. N. Cassel, C. H. Brunner and H. L. Musselman.

Annual Conference Fund. — Secretary, J. G. Shireman; Treasurer, W. J. Fretz.

Camp Meeting Equipment Fund.—Secretary, J. F. Barrall; Treasurer, Allen M. Gehman.

Resolved, That the Annual Conference elect a Board of Trustees consisting of eight ordained ministers and four laymen, who shall have full charge of all the arrangements and management of the Orphanage and Home. They shall be elected for a term of two years. They shall be so elected that the term of office of four preachers and two laymen expires at each Annual Conference. (Standing Rule.)

Prayer by E. T. Shick. Adjourned to the call of the Chair.

FOURTH SESSION

Friday Afternoon, October 9, 1908

This session was opened by singing and prayer by S. S. Geil. The roll was called, after which the minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The following reports were submitted and received:

Treasurer of the Annual Conference Fund. (See Reports.) Treasurer of the Home Mission Fund. (See Reports.) Board of Trustees elected over the churches at Erwinna,

Hereford and Norristown.—

Nothing was done in the matter of Erwinna and Hereford Church Buildings. The financial report of the Norristown Church is submitted. (See Reports.)

H. B. Musselman, Chairman, W. G. Gehman, Secretary, Oscar Baer, Treasurer,

H. L. Musselman, H. H. Bergey, Board of Trustees.

Brother O. B. Bartholomew, one of the trustees of the Orphanage and Home, addressed the Conference concerning his convictions in relation to the work at the Orphanage farm. This made a deep impression on the Conference and led to a season of earnest prayer for the Lord's leading in this matter.

Resolved, That the Presiding Elder of the Bethlehem District examine the applicants for Annual Conference License

on the Discipline.

The election of officers and committees was continued. Executive Board.—H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman, J. C. Roth, C. H. Brunner and E. N. Cassel.

Delegates to the General Conference.—J. C. Roth, O. B. Bartholomew, C. H. Brunner, Allen M. Gehman and W. S.

Resolved, That we elect five alternate delegates, three from the ministry and two from the laity, to serve in the order of their election. E. N. Cassel, H. L. Musselman, J. G. Shireman, H. H. Bergey and R. L. Woodring were elected.

Resolved, That the Stationary, Boundary and Appropriating Committee sit at 7 o'clock this evening in the basement of the Church.

The matter relative to the transfer of the church property on Third Street, Quakertown, was brought up and the following resolution passed unanimously:

Whereas, The Court of Common Pleas of Bucks County, Pennsylvania, in a suit in equity, being No. 5 of April Term, A.D. 1905, decreed that M. A. Zyner, the pastor of the Evangelical Mennonite Church of Quakertown, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, had the right to exercise the function of pastor of the said church, and that the defendants named in said suit were the rightful owners of the church property located on the east side of Third Street, in the Borough of Qnakertown, afore-

Whereas, All the members of the Evangelical Mennonite Church of Quakertown, have signed an agreement in writing expressing their willingness to convey the aforesaid church property and real estate and surrender their charter to the Mennonite Brethren in Christ, upon the following conditions, viz.: that the said Mennonite Brethren in Christ shall assume the entire debt and interest now on the said church property, that the members of the said Evangelical Mennonite Church of Quakertown shall have the privileges of ingress and egress to the said church building for the purpose of holding services on Sunday afternoon, every four weeks for so long a time as three of the now living members shall desire it, and to have the privilege also to hold funeral services in the said church building so long as the members of the said Evangelical Church of Quakertown may desire it; the said service to be free from all expenses and the church to be in proper condition for the holding of said services, therefore, be it

Resolved, In Conference assembled in the Borough of Bethlehem this ninth day of October, A.D. 1908, that the above stated conditions be accepted by a majority of the votes of the members of the Conference of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ of Pennsylvania, and that the deed for the above-named church property be accepted together with the charter, and that Harvey B. Musselman, Charles H. Brunner, John C. Roth. William G. Gehman and Emanuel N. Cassel, be delegated and empowered to make the necessary provisions for carrying into effect the above stated articles.

Whereas, The foregoing document has been signed by the

proper authorities, therefore

Resolved, That we spread the same on the minutes as follows:

Witness the hand of the Chairman of the above-named Conference this ninth day of October, A.D. 1908.

Attest: Charles H. Brunner, H. B. Musselman, Secretary. Chairman.

The following reports were submitted and received:

Committee on Worship: -E. N. Cassel shall preach this

evening.

H. B. Musselman shall preach the Conference Sermon on Sunday forenoon. W. G. Gehman shall preach the Ordination Sermon on Sunday afternoon, and W. B. Musselman shall preach in the evening.

J. C. Roth,

H. L. Musselman, Committee.

Executive Board.—We wish to announce the election of the following officers:

President, H. B. Musselman; Secretary, C. H. Brunner; Treasurer, J. C. Roth.

H. B. Musselman,

J. C. Roth,

C. H. Brunner,

W. G. Gehman,

E. N. Cassel,

Board.

Committee appointed to purchase a parsonage for the Presiding Elder of the Bethlehem District.—The Committee has not done anything in this matter.

H. B. Musselman,

W. G. Gehman,

C. H. Brunner, Committee.

Committee in charge of the Camp Meeting Equipage:—We made arrangements with Allen M. Gehman to erect an addition to his wagon shed wherein a nice place is available to store goods, which place has been received, and our camp goods stored therein.

J. C. Roth, E. N. Cassel,

E. T. Shick, Committee.

Resolved, That the Chair appoint a committee of three, who under the direction of the Presiding Elders shall have charge

of the Camp Meeting Equipage.

Resolved, That the two Presiding Elders and the Secretary ascertain the expenses, route, time, etc., for the delegates to the General Conference, including all other expenses of a like nature, and apportion the same to the various fields.

Resolved, That the Presiding Elder, the pastor in charge, with the trustees of Terre Hill, Pa., have charge of the prop-

erties at that place.

Resolved, That the Secretary ask the Editor of the "Gospel Herald" to send each pastor a copy of the mailing list of the subscribers on his charge.

Resolved, That Resolution 1, page 19, and Resolution 5,

page 20, be made standing rules.

The organization of the following Committees and Boards:

was reported.

Board of Trustees of the Orphanage and Home:—President, H. B. Musselman; Secretary, W. S. Hottel; Treasurer, C. H. Brunner.

Beneficiary Society:—President, J. C. Roth; Secretary, W.

S. Hottel; Treasurer, J. F. Barrall.

Board of Foreign Missions:—President, H. B. Musselman; Secretary, C. H. Brunner; Treasurer, Allen M. Gehman.

Board of Examiners:—President, J. C. Roth; Secretary, W. S. Hottel; Treasurer, E. N. Cassel.

Adjourned by prayer by G. A. Campbell.

FIFTH SESSION

Saturday Morning, October 10, 1908.

This session was opened by singing and prayer by William Gehman. The roll was called, after which the minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The following reports were read and received:

Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee. (See Report.)

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, It has pleased our Heavenly Father, who doeth all things well, to permit to be taken from our midst during the past year by the hand of death, Elder Wilson Steinmetz, of Fleetwood, Pa., be it

Resolved, That we confess that we have lost in him a conscientious Christian and willing laborer, and commend the widow and the family to the God of all Grace and comfort, who knoweth the hearts of all men and giveth rewards ac-

cording to the deeds done in the body.

Brother Wilson Steinmetz was born January 24, 1849. In 1893 he was licensed to preach the gospel, which he did up to the last Annual Conference, since which, on account of physical disability, he had no charge until his death, July 28, 1908, aged 59 years, 6 months, and 4 days. For a number of years two of his daughters have been active workers in the Gospel Worker Society, one of whom fell asleep in Jesus several years ago.

W. G. Gehman, J. C. Roth, W. S. Hottel, Committee. Resolved, That Presiding Elder W. G. Gehman, hold all the Home Missionary meetings throughout the Conference and take the subscriptions with the assistance of the respective pastors.

Resolved, That each delegate shall see that the moving ex-

penses of their pastor be paid.

Resolved, That we have two Sunday School Conventions, and that the members of the Conference Districts resolve themselves into two respective committees to organize.

Adjourned to the call of the Chair.

SIXTH SESSION

Saturday Afternoon, October 10, 1908.

The session was opened by singing and prayer by Allen M. Gehman. The roll was called after which the minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The Report of the Board of Examiners was read and received.

The following reports were read and received:

Committee on Worship:—C. H. Brunner shall preach this evening.

J. C. Roth,

H. L. Musselman, Committee.

Committee to organize Bethlehem District Sunday School Convention: --Chairman, J. C. Roth; Secretary, R. Bergstresser; Treasurer, J. F. Barrall.

Committee on Programme:—Chairman, H. B. Musselman;

Secretary, J. C. Roth, E. N. Cassel.

Resolved, That we have two sessions, one in the forenoon, and one in the afternoon, with special services in the evening. The Committee shall arrange for the evening services. No pastor shall leave without the consent of the Committee.

Resolved, That this Convention be held at Quakertown on

Ascension Day, 1909.

Resolved, That we extend a hearty invitation to the Presiding Elder, W. G. Gehman, of the Mt. Carmel District, and the Missionary Presiding Elder, W. B. Musselman. Also the Pastors of the Mt. Carmel District, and the Gospel Heralds.

J. F. Barrall, Secretary. W. S. Hottel, Chairman.

Committee to organize Mt. Carmel District Sunday School Convention:—Chairman, E. E. Kublic; Secretary, V. H. Reinhart; Treasurer, H. A. Kauffman.

Committee on Programme:—W. G. Gehman, J. G. Shireman,

E. T. Shick.

Resolved, That this Convention be held at Philadelphia on the day previous to Ascension Day, 1909.

Resolved, That we hold two sessions, one in the forenoon and one in the afternoon. The Committee on programme shall arrange for special services in the evening. No pastor shall

be permitted to leave.

Resolved, That we extend a hearty invitation through the secretary to the Missionary Presiding Elder, W. B. Musselman; Presiding Elder, H. B. Musselman, of the Bethlehem District, and other ministers of the Bethlehem District to be present at this convention.

J. G. Shireman, Chairman. P. J. Musselman, Secretary.

Committee on Regulations relative to the recording of Camp Meeting accounts:—All bills of Camp Meeting expenses shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Committee in an itemized form giving date of all expenses. The Secretary shall have the bill O.K.'d by the Chairman of the Committee and issue an order on the Treasurer, who shall pay such orders when properly signed by the Chairman and Secretary of the Committee.

The Secretary shall enter the bills in his book as they are submitted and also enter all money as it is received, giving date, and name of party from whom such money is received, making the Camp Meeting Committee creditor for all money received and debtor for all money paid out. He shall also compile a summary of receipts and expenses at the end of the

record of all expenses for the year.

The Treasurer shall make himself debtor in his book for all the various amounts of money as they are received and creditor for all money paid out, giving date and name of party or parties from whom money is received, and date and name of party or parties, and number of order to whom money is paid.

W. G. Gehman, E. N. Cassel,

J. C. Roth, Committee. Committee on Resolutions:—Resolved, That we make the following appeals to the General Conference:

1—To add "Except by two-thirds vote of the Annual Conference," to paragraph 11 on page 76 in the Discipline.

2—That the Annual Conference adopt uniform "Pastor's

Oral Report Blanks."

3—That the General Conference encourage the various Annual Conferences to send fraternal delegates to the different Annual Conferences from time to time, as the various Conferences deem it advisable, in order that the Annual Conferences become more intimately acquainted with each other.

4—To revise 1st paragraph on page 67 in the Discipline to read "once a week" instead of "once a year," line second.

5—To modify the first paragraph chapter 5, page 83, of the Discipline to read "by two or more brethren, etc."

6—That the article on Life Insurance on page 43, section 14, in the Discipline read "Believing that taking out life insurance policies is contrary to the spirit and teachings of Christianity, no member shall be permitted to insure his life or that of anybody else."

W. G. Gehman, J. C. Roth, W. S. Hottel, Committee.

The Chairman appointed J. C. Roth, E. N.Cassel and F. M. Hottel, as Committee on Camp Meeting Equipage.

WHEREAS, We have been informed through the Gospel Banner and through the report of the Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions how the Lord has so wonderfully spared and blessed the lives and labors of all our Missionaries in Chile. China and Turkey, even in sickness, through the burning of one of their new chapels, through persecutions, etc., therefore

Resolved, That we appreciate the reports in the Gospel Banner from our devoted co-laborers in those benighted lands.

That we praise the giver of all good gifts for supplying health, strength, and courage, so that none died or left the field during the year.

That we continue to support them with our means, and uphold them with our prayers that the coming year may be one of greater blessing and power, witnessing and soulsaving than any before, and that both they and their converts may be preserved blameless unto the coming of the Lord.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be printed and sent to each one of the Missionaries by the Secretary, to be paid for out of the Conference Fund.

Resolved, That the next Annual Conference convene at Allentown, Pa., the second Thursday of October, 1909, at S A.M.

Resolved, That the next Semi-Annual Ministerial Convention convene at Bethlehem. The following officers were elected: Chairman, W. G. Gehman; Secretary, R. L. Woodring; Committee on Programme, H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman, and J. C. Roth.

The above Convention shall convene on April 15, 1909. Rev. H. Horace Romig, pastor of Bethany United Evangelical Church, was introduced to the Conference.

A liberal offering was lifted for the labor and expense of the Secretary amounting to \$11.31. Thanks.

Resolved, That none of the Conference members be absent from the services to-morrow.

Resolved, That we print 500 Conference Journals to be sold at 25 cents each. Any expenses in connection with the printing of the Journals not covered by the receipts for the same.

shall be paid for out of the Annual Conference Fund, or any balance from the sale of them shall be paid into said fund.

Resolved, That we donate \$10.00 to the editor of the Confer-

ence Journal.

The report of the Board of Examiners on the Reading Course was read and received. (See Report.)

Adjourned by prayer by E. T. Shick.

SERVICES

Sunday, October 11, 1908

A little rain during the night settled the dust, and cleared up the atmosphere, so that the weather was all that could be desired. The brothers and sisters commenced to gather early from the various classes from far and near.

At 10.00 A.M., H. B. Musselman, the Chairman of the Conference, preached the Conference Sermon, exhorting the ministry to be loyal, active, faithful, self-denying, and make full proof

of their ministry.

At 2 o'clock W. G. Gehman, Presiding Elder of the Mt. Carnuel District, preached the Ordination Sermon, emphasizing the call and study of the pastor and the importance of ordination. This was followed by a very impressive service, during which C. W. Stine was ordained.

In the evening, after a short address by W. S. Hottel, W. B. Musselman. Missionary Presiding Elder of Cleveland, Ohio. preached a stirring, instructive sermon, on the "Mystery of

Godliness."

The services during the day were accompanied by excellent singing. The addresses were pointed and powerful. The large church was crowded to the doors, and the glory of the Lord filled the house and the hearts of his people.

SEVENTH SESSION

Monday Morning, October 12, 1908.

This session was opened by prayer by J. G. Shireman. The roll was called, after which the minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

A telegram from W. B. Musselman, received many hours

late, was handed to W. G. Gehman for investigation.

Resolved, That the Printing Committee, with the Chairman of the Annual Conference, get new dedication certificates during the year.

Resolved, That the Committee appointed last year to secure an "Act of Incorporation," be discontinued and that this

work be assigned to the Executive Board, which Board shall have full power and authority to secure an "Act of Incorporation," examine and correct deeds, titles, charters, etc., and dispose of all other legal matters that may present themselves from time to time.

Whereas, We are not sufficiently informed at this time relative to the election of a General Board of Trustees to fulfil the duties and functions decided upon by the Annual Conference, therefore

Resolved, That the Executive Board elected at this Conference shall be hereby duly authorized and empowered to formulate or elect a Board according to the requirements of the law in case the election of the present Executive Board is illegal.

W. B. Musselman, Missionary Presiding Elder, now gave us a very interesting report of the progressive work of the Gospel Worker Society, whereupon the following report was read and received.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, W. B. Musselman, Missionary Presiding Elder, gave us a glowing report of the work of the Gospel Worker Society, and further,

WHEREAS, The Lord has upheld the Society especially during the financial pressure in Ohio, and has graciously blessed their work to the saving of souls and sowing the seed through evan-

gelistic and colportage work, therefore

Resolved, That we humbly and earnestly praise God for His blessing bestowed in the past, and that we highly appreciate and endorse the noble work of pioneering in which they are engaged, and the spirit of self-denial manifested, and pledge ourselves to uphold them with our prayers, and to swell the offerings and get as many new subscribers for the "Gospel Herald" as possible.

W. G. Gehman,J. C. Roth,W. S. Hottel, Committee.

Resolved, That this Conference go to the Orphanage Farm in a body, with the 12.45 P.M. train to-day, if we get through, excusing the Secretary, on account of the Journal, also Wm. Gehman, because of his age. Also H. E. Gackenbach in case he does not want to go.

Resolved, That we tender a rising vote of thanks to the brothers and sisters of the Bethlehem Class for their kindness and hospitality shown unto us during the Conference

Session.

Adjourned by prayer by W. B. Musselman.

TWENTY-FIFTH

H. B. Musselman, Chairman.

C. H. Brunner, Secretary.

Allen M. Gehman, Treasurer.

W. G. Gehman, P. E. W. B. Musselman, M. P. E.

J. C. Roth, Vice P. E.

C. W. Stine, Recording Secretary.

J. G. Shireman, Statistical Secretary.

J. F. Barrall, Financial Secretary.

W. J. Fretz,

E. W. Cassel,

E. E. Kublic,

V. H. Reinhart,

W. S. Hottel,

E. T. Shick,

W. W. Zimmerman,

R. Bergstresser,

R. L. Woodring,

G. A. Campbell,

F. M. Hottel,

H. K. Kratz,

P. J. Musselman,

L. B. Taylor,

O. S. Hillegass,

William Gehman,

R. D. Dreisbach.

O. B. Bartholomew,

M. E. Stickler,

M. M. Ziegler,

John Ziegler,

S. H. Lichtenthaler,

G. Ray Klinger,

R. T. Laudenslager,

E. R. Hartman.

J. A. Kern,

H. L. Musselman,

J. H. Baus,

H. H. Bergey,

G. O. Billig,

S. S. Geil,

G. K. Himmelreich,

H. E. Gackenbach,

REPORTS

I. Report of the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee.

(A) APPOINTMENTS.

BETHLEHEM DISTRICT-H. B. Musselman, P.E.

(a) STATIONS.

Bethlehem—J. C. Roth. Allentown—E. N. Cassel. South Allentown—W. J. Fretz. Zionsville—W. W. Zimmerman.

(b) Circuits.

Reading and Athol—C. H. Brunner.
Royersford and Spring City—W. S. Hottel.
Gratersford and Harleysville—R. Bergstresser.
Coopersburg and Springtown—J. F. Barrall.
Emans and Macungie—H. K. Kratz.

(c) Missions.

Lehighton and Weissport—C. W. Stine. Northampton—O. S. Hillegass. Quakertown and Hatfield—R. L. Woodring. Fleetwood, Blandon and Terre Hill—F. M. Hottel.

(d) Tabernacles.

To be supplied.

(e) LOCAL PREACHERS.

L. B. Taylor, Coopersburg and Springtown Quarterly Conference.

Wm. Gehman, Zionsville Quarterly Conference.

- O. Bitting, Emans and Macungie Quarterly Conference.
 G. A. Campbell, Quakertown and Hatfield Quarterly Conference.
- (f) QUARTERLY CONFERENCE LICENSED WORKERS.
 J. H. Moyer, H. M. Gehman, E. W. Martin, W. W. Dill, F. E. Frey and M. W. Ettinger.

MT. CARMEL DISTRICT-W. G. Gehman, P. E.

(a) STATIONS.
Mt. Carmel—E. T. Shick.

(b) Circuit.
Nazareth and Plainfield—V. II. Reinhart.

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(c)	Missions.
`	Philadelphia—J. G. Shireman.
	Walnutport and Tripoli-P. J. Musselman.
	Easton and Erwinna—E. E. Kublic.
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(d) TABERNACLES.

To be supplied.

(e) Annual Conference Licensed Workers. C. A. Parson, G. F. Yost, H. A. Kauffman and D. H.

Manney.
(f) QUARTERLY CONFERENCE LICENSED WORKERS.
Wm. E. Manney.

(B) APPROPRIATIONS.

BETHLEHEM DISTRICT

BETHLEHEM DISTRICT			
Fleetwood, Blandon and Terre Hill, per month	\$6	00	
Lehighton and Weissport, per month	8	00	
Quakertown and Hatfield, per month	10	00	
Northampton, per month	15	00	
O. S. Hillegass, moving expenses	10	00	
W. W. Zimmerman, moving expenses	10	00	
W. J. Fretz, moving expenses	15	00	
H. K. Kratz, moving expenses	18	00	
C. W. Stine, moving expenses	20	00	
R. L. Woodring, moving expenses	20	00	
R. Bergstresser, moving expenses	20	00	
To be used at the discretion of the Presiding Elder	100	00	
MT. CARMEL DISTRICT			
Walnutport and Tripoli, per month	\$12	00	
Easton and Erwinna, per month	15		
Philadelphia, per month	20	00	
E. E. Kublic, moving expenses	20	00	
E. T. Shick, moving expenses	20	00	
P. J. Musselman, moving expenses	25	00	
J. G. Shireman, moving expenses	. 30	00	

(C) GOSPEL HERALD SOCIETY.

W. G. Gehman, President.

East Stroudsburg, to be supplied. Shamokin, to be supplied. Sunbury, to be supplied. Norristown, to be supplied. Washington, N. J., to be supplied. Hackettstown, N. J., to be supplied.

(D) GOSPEL WORKER SOCIETY.

W. B. Musselman, Missionary Presiding Elder in Charge.

(E) FOREIGN MISSIONARIES.

CHILE, SOUTH AMERICA—H. L. Weiss, Superintendent; Mrs. H. L. Weiss, H. W. Feldges, Mrs. H. W. Feldges, A. E. Dawson, Mrs. A. E. Dawson, Niels Gunstadt, Mrs. Niels Gunstadt, M. P. Zook, Mrs. M. P. Zook, Joseph Schmiedlin and Mrs. Joseph Schmiedlin.

CHINA—C. F. Snyder, Mrs. C. F. Snyder and V. G. Plymire. Turkey—Rose Lambert.

H. B. Musselman, Chairman. W. G. Gehman, Secretary.

H. L. Musselman,

E. R. Hartman,
M. E. Stickler,
J. H. Baus,
G. Ray Klinger,
R. T. Laudenslager.

Allen M. Gehman, John Ziegler. Committee.

II. Annual Report of the Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Another year is past with its victories and tests on the Foreign Field as well as the home land. Another page has been added to the history of Missions. While some have left the ranks, others have fallen at their post of duty, the Lord has graciously spared all our Missionaries.

The offerings for this cause have been larger than ever, or five times as much as ten years ago. Ten years ago our people gave \$1.31 per member; last year they gave \$4.22 per member. During the ten years the membership increased 78%, while the Foreign Missionary offerings increased 472%. Our Conference now supports sixteen Foreign Missionaries or one Missionary for every 80 members at home. This is especially encouraging when we compare it with the figures given by good authority stating that in 1905 among the seven principal Protestant churches in the U. S., the United Presbyterians led with 1.77 per member for Foreign Missions down to the Methodists who gave .46 per member. The members and triends of the Gospel Herald Society Mission at Washington, N. J., have sent a large box of clothing, muslins, bed clothes, etc., to the Orphanage at Hadjin, Turkey, valued at \$62.50.

CHINA.

Bro. C. F. Snyder, who had spent nine years in China, principally on the Western borders, had been home on furlough and left again for the borders of Thibet, sailing from Seattle, Wash.. February 4, 1908, accompanied by Bro. V. G. Plymire. Bro.

Plymire was converted in the Gospel Worker Society Mission at York, Pa., and was a faithful, steady standby of the Mission. For the last four years he was a member of the Gospel Herald Society. The Lord has blessed him with a robust body, an energetic will, and a conscientious spirit. After a very stormy voyage across the Pacific they arrived at Yokohama, Japan, February 21. On March 11. they stopped off at Nanking, where Brother Snyder was married in the American Consulate to Miss Phebe Brenneman, a member of the Indiana Conference, but since transferred to this Conference. From here they went in a house-boat up the Han River, had their boat wrecked, goods soaked, and narrowly escaped with their lives, arriving at Taochow, on the borders of Thibet, August 10, after a wearisome journey of 196 days.

CHILE.

Eleven years ago Brother and Sister Weiss arrived in Chile. The Lord signally blessed their labors, supplied workers, gave them converts, so that their regular membership swelled up to between seven and eight hundred. Brother H. L. Weiss is Superintendent of the whole work in Chile. Of late the Lord has been somewhat sifting the work. Some of the workers left them (however, none of those belonging to our Church), some started opposition, but God takes care of His Work. We are supporting twelve missionaries on this field, ten of whom are members of our Church. Last January Brother M. P. Zook was married to Miss Anna Erskine, who went to Chile with Brother and Sister Weiss three years ago. Brother Zook is stationed at Osorno with the oversight of a few outstations. He had been sick of typhoid fever, but the Lord delivered him.

Brother and Sister Feldges are still at Temuco. Last summer they finished their nice little chapel and had a fine Sunday School and every prospect for a good, strong work. In January a great fire swept over the town, destroying their chapel, which was a great blow to the work. He reported 318 meetings and about 1000 calls. Bro. A. E. Dawson finished the chapel at Loncoche, and he and his wife opened a school of 40 pupils, and also a Sunday School of about the same number.

Brother and Sister Gunstadt report good meetings and a large, flourishing church on the Island of Chiloe. They made several trips to the colonies, where they had large crowds.

Brother Weiss writes that Brother Orellano, a native helper supported by us, resigned from the active work on account of ill health.

TURKEY.

It is now ten years since Sister Lambert came to Hadjin, and although there is always a great deal of suffering and extreme

poverty in the city, last winter was the severest since she is on the field. As the crops of 1907 were almost a total failure, food stuffs were scarce and extremely high, consequently suffering among the many poor was intense. They are still looking to the Lord for the necessary funds to build a Boys' Home in a healthier locality outside the city. The Sultan has conceded to many reforms which will make things much easier for the missionaries. Brother Barker, the Superintendent, and his family are at home on furlough at present. Workers are needed very much in Hadjin. Just before going to press I received a cablegram announcing the death by typhoid fever of Mrs. Henry Maurer, one of their devoted workers. Miss Elizabeth Hawley was a physician and was married to Brother Maurer only a few years ago. She was a great blessing to the work and her death should stir some one up to take her place in the great harvest field.

III. Report of the Superintendent and Board of Trustees of the Orphanage and Home, from October 2, 1907, to October 1, 1908.

During the year we still continued to make improvements. We built chutes from the feed bins alongside the thrashing floor into the entry below so that the various feeds need not be carried below.

We built a concrete enclosure around the spring at the upper part of the former dam and connected it with irou pipes to the ram, so that now we get clear water out of the rock for man and beast; a concrete wall around the spring in front of the spring house for clean water for washing and for a gold fish pond; a concrete liquid mannre cistern in the barnyard 5 feet x 5 feet—10 feet deep; a new water course through the upper part of the meadow in order to get a more direct course and farm a part of the meadow land.

Trees were cut down along the middle fences, the middle fences removed, and the stumps dynamited. Thousands of feet of lumber and many cords of wood were thus realized, which are not yet disposed of.

We purchased a new two-horse walking cultivator, a fourinch rim four-horse wagon, a new circular saw and ripping table, a Ross shredder, and a low wheel one-horse wagon for forage hauling.

The gasoline engine furnishes power for the thrasher and separator, grist mill, fodder cutter, saw and grind stone.

We have the same horses we had last year and they are giving excellent service.

We have more than double the number of cattle we had last year. We have 24 head of cows, 9 heifers, four of which are pure bred and registered Holstein-Friesians of high breeding, one large thorough-bred and registered Holstein-Friesian bull, Vernon De Kol Count.

Our sale of milk throughout the year averaged \$224.84 per month. We sold calves for an average of \$18.87 per month, making a total average yield per month of \$243.71 from the cows.

We stable-fed the cows all summer on green rye, meadow and field grass, sugar cane, ensilage corn, and sugar corn fodder. Cow stables are manured twice a day and the manure hauled directly into the fields. The cows are cleaned daily. This makes much work, but is profitable.

Our breeding sows had nice litters in the spring, which we sold at a good price. Several have litters now which are selling at fair prices. Three breeding hogs were donated during the

year.

We have a few pens of nice chickens—Rose-combed Brown Leghorus and single-combed White Leghorus. Two incubators were donated.

We sold last year's wheat crop in the fall for \$1.05 per bushel F. O. B. Centre Valley, Pa. This year's crop was real

good, but the acreage was not so large.

Potatoes sold mostly at 60 cents per bushel. This year's crop was real good considering the drought and are selling at present from 80 to 90 cents per bushel for choice.

The sugar corn yield was very good and profitable.

The field corn yield is the best we have yet had thus far.

The hay crop was abundant. From one field we averaged 3½ tons of hay per acre.

Oats yielded approximately 50 bushels per acre.

The Le Conte pear crop was again large, for which we found ready sale.

In spring we planted 130 peach trees, 60 apple trees, 59

pear trees, and 9 plum trees. They look promising.

The Board of Trustees bought the property of the late Henry Sell, of Centre Valley, Pa., containing 10½ acres of land, 4 or 5 acres of which are splendid meadow land for pasturing our young live-stock. A nice large 9 room brick house is on the premises in which a small Orphanage may be started. A barn also is on the premises.

Charles J. Kline, the farmer; Titus Hottel, the herdsman, and Albert Rotherman, the hired man, have done good service

and seem to enjoy the work for the Lord on this line.

We are looking to the Lord and this Conference for a more thorough organization of the temporal economy of this Home Farm. Also do we expect that in the near future we shall be

enabled to start Orphanage work on a small scale.

We thank the Lord for past victories won and look forward for greater blessings from the Giver of all good and perfect

The Board of Trustees asks the Conference to increase the number of Trustees for the future.

FINANCIAL REPORT FROM OCT. 2, 1907, TO OCT. 1, 1908.

RECEIPTS.	,	Expenditures.		
Milk\$2698	06	Live stock \$185	1	21
Potatoes 848		Feed		54
Live stock 650	21	Labor 114	9 9	23
Wheat 540	90	Freight 41		76
Beef 267	35	Board	7 8	84
Hogs and pigs 234	07	Fertilizers 20	•	05
Calves	5 3	Implements 16	8	98
Sugar corn 184	52	Fares, toll, telephone 16	3	38
Pears 164	71		8	5 9
Eggs 97	08		4	2 3
Cont'b'n from church. 126	39		2	00
Vegetables 70	86	Repairs 7	7	22
Horse 70	00		8	00
Poultry 52	69	Oils and Paints 6	32	26
Implements 33	47	Tax 5	8	15
DOMECTOR: ITTELL 20	94	Poultry 5	0	14
Lumber	92		_	00
Discounts 22	92	Trees 3	7	01
Labor 13	51	Cement, lime, sand 3	5	14
Cord wood 10	75	Paris Green, bluestone 3	3 '	78
		Sawing lumber 3	31	50
		Hardware 3	80	31
		Furniture 2	4	06
		Horse shoeing 2	23	75
				17
				63
		Harness 1		7 8
				73
		Painting		18
		Lumber		35
		Eggs	_	94
		Periodicals	2	53 —
Total\$6365	92	Total\$661	$\overline{2}$	44

^{*}Besides this there were articles received during the year amounting to \$49.60 not included in this report.

STOCK ACCOUNT.

A Stock Account Committee of Five, appointed by the Board of Trustees from among their number, took the following conservative account of stock:

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Farm	\$9000	00
Implements	1263	31
Horses	910	00
Cattle	1669	30
Hogs and pigs	151	90
Poultry	56	10
32 T. hay @ \$12 00	384	00
4 T. meadow hay @ \$10 00	40	00
3½ T. Rowen	30	00
370 Bu. wheat @ \$1	370	00
650 Bu. corn @ \$0.75	487	50
160 Bu. oats @ \$0 60	96	00
1100 Bn. potatoes @ \$0 68	748	00
3000 ft. walnut lumber @ \$0 45	135	00
2300 ft. chestnut lumber @ \$0 15	34	50
Cord wood	100	00
Cash on hand	42	70
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Total......\$15518 31

STATEMENT.

Resources.	LIABILITIES.
Farm \$9000 00	Contributions to
Implements 1263-31	October 2, 1907 \$9971 05
Live stock 2787-30	Cont'b'n since Oct.
Produce 2155 50	2, 1907 126 39
Lumber & Cord wood 269 50	Donations
Cash on hand 42 70	Loans 2700 '00
	Surplus 2644 27
Total \$15518 31	Total \$15518 31

W. G. Gehman, Superintendent.

H. B. Musselman, Chairman.

C. H. Brunner, Secretary. E. N. Cassel, Treasurer.

W. G. Gehman. Allen M. Gehman. O. B. Bartholomew.

E. T. Shick. J. G. Shireman, H. L. Musselman, Board of Trustees.

IV. Report of the Board of Examiners on the Reading Course.

(A) EXAMINATIONS 1908

(a) Applicants for Annual Conference License on Discipline

G. F. YOST, 55 H. A. KAUFFMAN, 89 D. H. MANNEY, 92 W. G. GEHMAN, Examiner.

(b) PROBATIONERS ON THE READING COURSE

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Probationers	Bible	Church History	Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation	Lessons in Holiness	Sell's Bible Study by Books	Reformed Pastor	Fletcher's Appeal	Nelson on Infidelity	Jesus is Coming	Average
FIRST YEAR		· .	,				ļ			
C. A. Parson.	65	27	49	64	63					54
SECOND YEAR		1								
H. K. Kratz	99	90	90		87	78	l			89
F. M. HottelV. H. Reinhart	60 76	67 30	53 89		56 70	68 53				64
THIRD YEAR	!									
C. W. Stine	86	80	87		90		82	78	91	85
			E. N	T. C.	ASSE	L,)		Βοα	rd	

W.S. HOTTEL, of E. T. SHICK, Examiners.

(B) DIVISIONS FOR 1909

(a) FIRST SEMI-ANNUAL STUDIES

FIRST YEAR'S COURSE

Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation, Walker—chapters 1-5 inclusive.

Sell's Bible Study by Books-chapters 1-17 inclusive. Church History, Fisher—to page 240.

SECOND YEAR'S COURSE

Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation—chapters 6-12 inclusive. Sell's Bible Study by Books-chapters 18-32 inclusive. Church History—page 240-484.

THIRD YEAR'S COURSE

Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation—chapters 13-19 inclusive. Sell's Bible Study by Books-New Testament Section. Church History—page 484 to end. Jesus is Coming—Blackstone.

(b) SECOND SEMI-ANNUAL STUDIES

FIRST YEAR'S COURSE

Bible—I and II Timothy and St. John, chapters 13-17 inclusive.

Lessons in Holiness-Doty.

SECOND YEAR'S COURSE

Bible—Leviticus and Hebrews.

Reformed Pastor-Baxter.

THIRD YEAR'S COURSE

Bible-Romans.

Nelson on Infidelity.

Fletcher's Appeal.

The first semi-annual examination shall be held in Bethlehem,

Pa., April 13, 1909, at 7.30 A.M.

The second semi-annual examination shall be held in Allen-

town, Pa., October 11, 1909, at 7.30 A.M.

Pres., J. C. Roth, Sec., W. S. Hottel. Treas., E. N. Cassel, Board of Examiners.

V. Report of the Financial Secretary

(Part I. Treasurers' Reports)

A. Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions

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RECEIPTS		EXPENDITURES
Bal. in Treas. Oct. 10, '07	\$6434 24	Support
Contributions (Special)		H. L. Weiss and Family \$ 700 00
Offerings (Regular)		A. E. Dawson and Wife 600 00
Offerings (Regular)	0201 01	
		M. P. Zook and Wife 600 00
		Niels Gunstadt and Wife 400 00
		C. F. Snyder and Wife 537 50
		Joseph Schmiedlin and
		Wife 300 00
		Mr. Orellano and Wife 45 00
		Rose Lambert 300 00
		V. G. Plymire 225 00
		Outfits, Etc.
		V. G. Plymire, outfit and
		freight
		C. F. Snyder, outfit and
		freight 153 95
		C. F. Snyder, Transporta-
		station
		V. G. Plymire, Transpor-
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		Forward Movement 200100
		Hadjin, Turkey 864 83
		C. F. Snyder, Trav. Ex. 50.00
		H. L. Weiss
		Sundries 101:93
		Bal. in Treas. Oct. 9, 1908 6239 26
Total	\$19580 AK	Total \$12580 65

ALLEN M. GEHMAN, Treasurer

B. Report of the Treasure	er of the Home Mission Fund
RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES
Bal. in Treas. Oct. 10, '07\$2670 93 Received Oct. 8, '08 2784 10	H. B. Musselman, P. E\$ 517 53 W. G. Gehman, P. E 1835 26 Bal. in Treas. Oct. 9, '08 3102 24
Total\$5455 03	Total\$5455 03
	ALLEN M. GEHMAN, Treasurer.
C. Report of the Treasure	r of the Orphanage and Home
RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES
Proceeds from farm\$6825 92	Deficit Oct. 2, '07\$ 170 78 Paid out during year 6612 44 Bal. in Treas Oct. 9, '08 42 70
'Total\$6825 92	Total\$6825 92
	E. N. CASSEL, Treasurer.
D. Report of the Treasu	urer of the Beneficiary Fund
RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES
Bal. in Treas. Oct. 10. '07\\$ 286 36	Paid out during year\$ 97 00
Received Oct. 8, '08	Balance in Treas. Oct. 9,'08 334 28
Total\$ 431 28	Total\$ 431 28
	J. F. BARRALL, Treasurer.
E. Report of the Treasu	rer of the Board of Deacons
RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES
Bal. in Treas. Oct. 10, '07\$ 343 22 Received Oct. 9, '08 235 57	Paid out during year\$ 158 20 Bal. in Treas. Oct. 9, '08 420 59
Total \$ 578 79	Total\$ 578 79 A. A. WISMER, Treasurer.
F. Report of the Treasurer	of the Annual Conference Fund
RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES
Bal. in Treas. Oct. 10, '07\$ 39 41 Received Oct. 9, '08 74 88	Paid out during year\$ 36 75 Bal. in Treas. Oct. 9, '08 77 54
Total\$ 114 29	Total\$ 114 29
	W. J. FRETZ, Treasurer.
G. Report of the Treasure	r of the C. M. Equipment Fund.
RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES
Bal. in Treas. Oct. 10, '07\$ 106 70 Hellertown C.M. Commitee 99 75 Wescoesville '' 136 52 Shamokin '' 21 41 Reading '' 24 02	Carfare, Mantels, Globes, Camp-Stools, etc\$ 142 12 Bal. in Treas. Oct. 9, '08 246 28
Total\$ 388 40	Total\$ 388 40

H. Reports of the Treasurers of the Sunday School Conventions

(a)	Bethlehem	District
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RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES
Bal. in Treas. Oct. 10, '07\$ 34 03 Received at last Convention 48 76	Convention Expenses\$ 54 68 Bal. in Treas. Oct. 9, '08 28 11
Total\$ 82 79	Total\$ 82 79 R. BERGSTRESSER, Treasurer.
(b) Mt. Ca	armel District
RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES
Bal. in Treas. Oct. 10, '07\$ 34 23 Received at last Convention 71 47	Convention Expenses\$ 34 55 Bal. in Treas. Oct. 9, '08 71 15
Total\$ 105 70	Total\$ 105 70 F. E. KUBLIC, Treasurer.

I. Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees over Norristown, Erwinna and Hereford Churches

RECEIPTS		EXPENDITURES	
Rent for ante-room of Nor- ristown Church for Ap.il, May and June\$ Rent for Chapel by ''Gospel Herald'' for September and October	15 00 20 00	Plumber, for turning water on	50 5 25 4 00 25 25
Total\$	35 00	Total\$	35 00
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OSCAR BAER, Treasurer.

J. F. BARRALL, Financial Secretary.

VI. Report of the Financial Secretary

(Part II. Summary Collections from October, 1907, to October, 1908)

APPOINTMENTS		Home Mission			Foreign Mission			Foreign Mission in S. S.			For the Poor		Bonoficious Pund		Conference Fund	
	1				<u> </u>		L	£,					å	.	5	3
BETHLEHEM DISTRICT																
Bethlehem	\$ 6	803	30	\$	590	55	\$	412	35	\$	34	00	\$26	35	\$11	80
Allentown		162	50		508	75		335	05		49	80	13	15	11	45
Reading	1	176	70		228	20	!	78	04		10	00	12	70	3	7 5
Athol		4	00		10	00										
Coopersburg	1	187	85		181	35		145	03	ĺ	18	30	3	50	3	70
Springtown		20	30	;	46	10		9	13	ĺ	2	60	1	20		50
Sô. Allentown	1	16	20		142	45	!	100	00		7	30	2	30	2	68
Emaus		34	50		47	25	1	25	25		12	75		93		61
Zionsville	1	100	50		107	71	1	216	09		13	85	4	10	3	12
Macungie		78	60		147	10		161	43		10	85	3	58	2	25
Spring City		87	25		96	00	į	79	07		4	38	3	25	1	25
Royersford	1	09	25		127	60	1	90	97		2	82	3			
Quakertown		85	00		88	50		67	86			20		15		
Hatfield		13	25		32	00				П		75		51		
Fleetwood		21	35		29	00		30	46	1	3	03	1		1	65
Blandon		61	25		50	25		24	76			00	2			00
Terre Hill		31	05		23	90			00		_	51	1			87
Gratersford		28	25		28	00		$4\overline{3}$	60		5	25	i	75		
Harleysville		86	75		74	50		50	75		_	25	2		_	
Northampton		58	25		85	00		40	81		3	24	ĩ			30
Lehighton		31	75		27	75		38	01			10	3			90
Weissport		10			18	00		9				25	1			85
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Total on District	\$24	108	35	\$2	689	96	\$1	960	55	\$	195	23	\$92	98	\$56	48
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Mt. Carmel	\$ 1		25	Ф	150	20	\$	56	52	₽	17	09				
Easton		63	75		54	00		11	48		6	60	3			
Nazareth		85	55		81	80		16	72		7	42	4	_	-	
Plainfield	1	15	00		11	75		2	92			43	1	09		
Walnutport		59	10		38	60		19	25		1	00	1	10	_	
Tripoli		13	5 0		16	00					1	20		60		50
Philadelphia		30	60		31	00		33	75		1	60	1	30	1	00
G. H. Society		3	00					112	54							
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Total on District					383			253				-	\$ 18			
Grand Total	27	84	10	\$3	073	31	2	213	73	2	235	57	111	38	74	88

J. F. BARRALL, Financial Secretary.

VII. Financial Reports of the Presiding Elders

A. Bethlehem District

(a) APPROPRIATIONS	L. Frank Haas, moving,
	car fares, etc\$ 34 63
Lehighton and Weissport\$ 96 00 Northampton	Car fares, H. B. Mussel-
	man and W. G. Gehman 80
Blandon, Fleetwood and	Royersford Tabernacle
Terre Hill	Meeting 9 10
Total\$ 348 00	For storage of Camp Goods
10ια1 φ 340 00	
(b) MISCELLANEOUS	
E. N. Cassel, Moving\$ 15 00	Bal. in Treas. Oct. 9, '08 45 47
W. S. Hottel, " 15 00	Total\$ 125 00
T 75 TT 44 1 (4 15 00	Grand Total\$ 563 00
I. F. Barrall. '' 15 00	
J. F. Barrall, '' 15 00	H. B. Musselman, P. E.
J. C. Roth, " 15 00	
C. H. Brunner, " 15 00	
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φ 50 00	
B. Mount Car	mel District
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(a) APPROPRIATIONS	Phila. Benches delivered
(a) APPROPRIATIONS Nazareth and Plainfield\$ 60 00	to Norristown 2 50
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W. G. GEHMAN, P. E.

VIII. Report of the President of the Gospel Herald Society

(a) STATISTICAL			Mission Repairs, Sunbury.	45	29
Ordained Ministers of An-			Subscription on Shamokin		
nual Conference		1	Chapel	39	68
Probationers of Annual			Discounts and other		
Conference		1	amounts in cash	98	76
Gospel Heralds full Mem-		•	Parsonage rent, Shamokin	130	00
		7	Free will gift of M. B. C.		• •
bers Church Members		72	Home Mission Treas, for		
		35	Chapel	200	00
Baptized			SundaySchool Conventions	14	
Sunday Schools		4	Conference fund	64	
Officers and Teachers En-		40	" Secretary		00
rolled		40			24
Scholars Enrolled	2	252	For Heralds		
Average Attendance of			Donations for Heralds	125	20
Officers and Teachers		38	For Tab, Meetings, Furni-		
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Scholars	2	200	Freight, Fares, Heralds		
Children's Meetings and			and other appropriations		
Sunday Schools held	1	187	from M. B. C. Treas	595	33
Open Air Meetings	5	92	77-4-1	-001	
Prayer Meetings	1	169	Total\$	7921	32
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Pastoral Visits	12	247	Tabernacle Meetings, Wash-		
"Gospel Heralds" sold	263	355	ington, N. J\$	7	25
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For Sunday Schools			Hauling		85
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I. Itinerants.

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Barrall, J. F. Bergstresser, R. Brunner, C. H. Cassel, E. N. Fretz, W. J. Gehman, W. G. Hillegass, O. S. Hottel, F. M. Hottel, W. S. Kratz, H. K. Kublic, E. E. Musselman, H. B. Musselman, P. J. Reinhart, V. H. Roth, J. C. Shick, E. T. Shireman, J. G. Stine, C. W. Woodring, R. L. Zimmerman, W. W.	1901 1904 1893 1896 1901 1905 1898 1900 1898 1900 1905 1900 1900 1900 1890 1890 1890 1890 1890 1900 1907 1900 1907 1900 1898 1900 1898 1900 1898 1900 1898 1900	1 1908 1 1907 1 1907 1 1908 9 P.E. 2 1908 1 1907 1 1908 7 1908 8 P.E. 6 M.P.E. 7 1908 1 1907 1 1908 1 1908 1 1907 1 1908 1 1908 8 1 1908 8 1 1908 8 1 1908 8 1 1908 8 1 1908 9 1 1908 9 1 1908 9 1 1908 9 1 1908 9 1 1908 9 1 1908 9 1 1908 9 1 1908 9 1 1908 9 1 1908 9 1 1908 9 1 1908 9 1 1908 9 1 1908 9 1 1908 9 1 1908 9 1 1908 9 1 1908	Coopersburg, Pa. Gratersford, Pa. 632 Locust St., Reading, Pa. 819 Gordon St., Allentown, Pa. 344 Priscilla St., South Allentown, Pa. 517 North 8th St., Allentown, Pa. Siegfried, Pa. Fleetwood, Pa. Spring City, Pa. Macungie, Pa. Haston, Pa. 103 Second Ave., Bethlehem, Pa. Cleveland, O. Walnutport, Pa. Nazareth, Pa. 112 Laurel St., Bethlehem, Pa. Mt. Carmel, Pa. 3362 N. 11th St., Philadelphia, Pa. Lehighton, Pa. Richland Center, Pa. Zionsville, Pa.
	II. Loc	al Pread	chers. (Ordained.)
Bitting, O	1887 189 1849 184	9	Lanark, Pa. Richland Center, Pa. Vera Cruz, Pa.

Bitting, O	1885 1888	Lanark, Pa.
Campbell, G. A		Richland Center, Pa.
Gehman, Wm		Vera Cruz, Pa.
Taylor, L. B		Coopersburg, Pa.

III. Annual Conference Licensed Preachers.

Kauffman, H. A	1908
Kauffman, H. A Manney, D. H Parson, C. A Vost G. F	1908
Parson, C. A	1907
Voet G. F	: 908

IV. Quarterly Conference Licensed Missionaries.

Dill. W. W	1897	Norristown, Pa.
Ettinger, M. W		Macungie, Pa.
Frey. F. E		Bethlehem, Pa.
Gehman, H. M		Allentown, Pa.
Manny, Wm		Shamokin, Pa.
Martin, E. W		Weaverland, Pa
Moyer, J. H	1893	Vernfield, Pa.

Directory of Foreign Missionaries

(a) CHILE, S. A.

H. L. Weiss, Superintendent, Casilla 49 Valdivia, Chile, S. A.

Dawson, A. E. Arrived on the field March, 1904. Stationed at Loncoche.

Feldges, H. W. Arrived on the field in January, 1904. Stationed feldges, Mrs. H. W.

Gunstadt, Niels Arrived from Norway in April, 1903. Stationed Gunstadt, Mrs. Niels Arrived from Norway in April, 1903. Stationed Gunstadt, Mrs. Niels Arrived from Norway in April, 1903. Stationed Gunstadt, Mrs. Niels

Schmiedlin, Joseph Natives of Chile. Stationed at Puren. Schmiedlin, Mrs. Joseph (Adopted, Oct., 1906.)

Weiss, H. L. Arrived on the field in 1897. In charge of the Weiss, Mrs. H. L. work at Valdivia.

Zook, M. P.) Arrived on the field in December, 1905. Stationed Zook, Mrs. M. P.) at Osorno.

(b) CHINA

Address, Taochow, via Si An, Kansu Prov., China.

Plymire, V. G. Arrived on the field August 10, 1908.

Snyder, C. F. Arrived on the field in 1897.

Snyder, Mrs. C. F. Arrived on the field in 1905.

(c) TURKEY (Armenia)

Lambert, Rose. Arrived on the field in 1898. Address, Hadgin, Turkey, Asia Minor.

YR.	TIME	PLACE	CHAIRMAN	SECRETARY
	I	EVANGELICAL ME	NNONITES. (Semi-A	nual)
1858	Sept. 24 Nov. 1 May 28	Upper Mllford, Pa		
1859	Nov. 1	Haycock, Pa		***************************************
1860	May 28	Upper Milford		***************************************
1860	NOV. 6	44	David Henning	
1861	June 4		David Henning	David Gehman
1861	Nov. 5	Haycock		
1862	June 3 Nov. 4 June 2	Upper Millord	William N. Shelly E. Hershey	A. W. Stauffer
1862	Nov. 4	Haycock Upper Milford Haycock	E. Hershey	44
1863	June 2	Upper Mllford		David Gehman
1863	Oct. 1	Haycock	Wllliam Gehman Wllllam N. Shelly David Henning	**
1864	June 7 Nov. 3	Upper Mllford	William N. Shelly	44
1864	Nov. 3	Haycock	David Henning	• •
1865	June 6	Unper Milford	4,	••
1865	Nov. 7	Flatland	William Gehman	. (
1866	June 6	Upper Milford	44	
1866	Nov. 3	Mount Joy	William N. Shelly	• •
1867	June 4	Flatland Upper Milford	David Henning	44
1867	Nov 5	Unner Milford	William Gehman William N. Shelly William Gehman David Henning	Iosanh Romle
1868	June 2			Joseph Homis
		Unper Milford	William Cohman	Dayld Gahman
1-68		Flotland	David Hanning	David Gennan
1859	June 1	Upper Milford	William N. Choli-	26
1869	Nov. 1	Cooper willord	William N. Shelly	
1870	June 7 Oct. 31	Upper Milford	William Gehman	
1870	Oct. 31	Upper Milford	David Henning	
1871	June 5	Coopershurg	E. Hershey	•
1871	Nov. 6	Upper Milford	E. Hershey David Henning.	**
1872	June 3	Coopershurg	William Gehman William N. Shelly	Jonas Musselman
1872	Nov. 6			David Gehman
1873	June 3	Upper Milford	David Henning	41
1873	Nov. 11	Coopersburg Quakertown	David Henning William N. Shelly William Gehman	
1871	June 1	Quakertown	William Gehman	14
1874	June 1 Nov. 10	Unner Milford	David Henning	14
1075	June 5	Coopershurg	William N. Shelly	14
1975	Nov. 6	Quakertown	William Gehman	44
1875	*March 30	('coperchurg	William Genman	46
1876	Turne 2	Coopersburg Upper Milford Mount Joy	David Honning	Iones Musselmen
1876	June 3 Nov. 11	Upper Minord	David Henning	Jonas Musseiman
1876	Nov. 11	Mount Joy	William N. Shelly	14
1877	June 2	Coopersonrg		
1877	Nov. 10	Upper Miliora	E. Hershey. A. Kauffman J. Roseuberger.	•
1878	June 3 Oct. 7	Quakertown	A. Kauffman	•
1878	Oct. 7	Coopersburg	J. Rosenberger	•• .
1879	March 22	Coopersburg Upper Milford	William Gehman	S. M. Musselman
1879	Oct. 6	Quakertown	44	44
	II. I	VANGELICAL UNITI	ED MENNONITES. (A	Annual)
10=0		Unner Milford	S. Eby	C M Musselmen
1879		Opper Millord	William Calman	S. M. Busselman
1880	March 15	Coopersburg	William Gehman	
1881	March 7	Quakertown	; <u>.</u>	
1882	Feb. 13	Upper Milford		
1883	Feb. 5	Coopershurg	••	A. Kauffman
	III.	MENNONITE BRETH	IREN IN CHRIST. (A	nnual)
1004	Cob 1	Torre Will	William Gehman	W H Cohman
1884 1885	Trah ()	Onekartown	44	
1000	Feb. 2	Upper Milford	**	M. A. Zyner
1886	ren. 1	· Pooding		A Vanffman
1887		DEMILITY		A. Kauffman
1888	Fell. 7	Cooperature	64	
	Feb. 6	Coopersburg	"	
1889	Feb. 6 Feb. 4	Coopersburg	"	44
1800	Feb. 6 Feb. 4 Feb. 3	Coopersburg Terre Hill. Bethlehem	" "	M. A. Zvner
1800	Feb. 6	Upper Milford	" "	M. A. Zvner
1800	Feb. 6	Coopersburg Terre Hill. Bethlehem Quakertown Upper Mliford	". ". W. B. Musselman	M. A. Zvner
1800	Feb. 6	Coopersburg Terre Hill. Bethlehem Quakertown Upper Mliford Coopersburg	W. B. Musselman	M. A. Zvner
1800	Feb. 6	Coopersburg Terre Hill. Bethlehem Quakertown Upper Mliford Coopersburg Terre Hill.	W. B. Musselman	M. A. Zvner
1800	Feb. 6. Feb. 2. Feb. 1. Feb. 2. Feb. 1. Feb. 2. Feb. 1. Feb. 2. Feb. 1. Feb. 2. Feb. 1	Coopersburg Terre Hill. Bethlehem Quakertown Upper Milford Coopersburg Terre Hill. Reading	W. B. Musselman	M. A. Zvner
1800	Feb. 6	Coopersburg Terre Hill	W. B. Musselman	M. A. Zvner
1800	Feb. 6. Feb. 4. Feb. 3. Feb. 2. Feb. 1. Feb. 6. Feb. 2. Feb. 1. Feb. 2. Feb. 7-10. Feb. 7-22.	Coopersburg Terre Hill	W. B. Musselman	M. A. Zvner
1800	Feb. 6	Coopersburg Terre Hill. Bethlehem Quakertown Upper Mliford Coopersburg Terre Hill Reading Allentown Royersford. Bethlehem	W. B. Musselman	M. A. Zvner
1800	Feb. 6	Coopersburg Terre Hill	W. B. Musselman "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "	M. A. Zvner
1800	Feb. 6	Coopersburg Terre Hill	"	M. A. Zvner
1800	Feb. 6	Coopersburg Terre Hill. Bethlehem Quakertown Upper Milford Coopersburg Terre Hill Reading Allentown Royersford Bethlehem Upper Milford Reading Rethlehem	W. B. Musselman C. H. Brunner W. R. Musselman	M. A. Zvner
1800	Feb. 6	Coopersburg Terre Hill	W. B. Musselman "" "C. H. Brunner W. B. Musselman	M. A. Zvner
1800	Feb. 6	Coopersburg Terre Hill. Bethlehem Quakertown Upper Milford Coopersburg. Terre Hill Reading Allentown Royersford. Bethlehem Upper Milford Reading Bethlehem Reading Bethlehem Reading	W. B. Musselman C. H. Brunner W. B. Musselman H. B. Musselman	M. A. Zvner
1800	Feb. 6	Coopersburg Terre Hill Bethlehem Quakertown Upper Milford Coopersburg Terre Hill Reading Allentown Boyersford Bethlehem Upper Milford Reading Bethlehem Reading Bethlehem Reading Bethlehem Reading	W. B. Musselman C. H. Brunner W. B. Musselman H. B. Musselman	M. A. Zvner
1800	Feb. 6	Coopersburg Terre Hill. Bethlehem Quakertown Upper Milford Coopersburg. Terre Hill Reading Allentown Royersford. Bethlehem Upper Milford Reading Reading Mt. Carmel Allen'own	W. B. Musselman C. H. Brunner W. B. Musselman H. B. Musselman	M. A. Zvner
1800	Feb. 6	Coopersburg Terre Hill. Bethlehem Quakertown Upper Milford Coopersburg Terre Hill. Reading Allentown Boyersford. Bethlehem Upper Milford Reading Bethlehem Reading Bethlehem Allentown Bethlehem Bethlehem Reading Bethlehem Reading Mt. Carmel Allen'own Bethlehem	W. B. Musselman C. H. Brunner W. B. Musselman H. B. Musselman	M. A. Zvner
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*Special Session concerning the sale of certain church property to the "Church of God."
**Special Conference whereby a union was effected between the Evangelical Mennonites of Pennsylvania and the United Mennonites of the Western States and Canada. Now changed to "Evangelical United Menonnites."

A special conference was held December 27. 1883, at Harrisburg, Ohlo, whereby a union was effected with the Brethren in Christ of Ohio and the name changed to "Mennonite Brethren in Christ."

GENERAL CONFERENCES

TIME	PLACE	DELEGATES FROM PA. CONFERENCE
1879	Zionsville, Pa	AUnion Conference including 16 members of the Pa. Conference.
1882	Elkhart, Ind	{ Wm. Gehman John Traub
1883	Harrisburg, O	(Union Conference) Wm. Gehman A. Strawn
1885	Zionsville, Pa	Wm. Gehman, P. E. A. Strawn
1888	Berlin, Ont	Wm. Gehman, P. E. A. Strawn W. B. Musselman
1892	Harrisburg, O	
1896	Coopersburg, Pa	W. B. Musselman, P. E. Wm. Gehman C. H. Brunner
1900	Berlin, Ont	C. H. Brunner, P. E.
1904	Nappanee, Ind	H. B. Musselman, P. E. W. B. Musselman, M. P. E. C. H. Brunner, M. P. E. W. G. Gehman A. M. Gehman J. D. Moyer
1908	Brown City, Mich	H. B. Musselman, P. E. W. G. Gehman, P. E. W. B. Musselman, M.P. E. J. C. Roth O. B. Bartholomew C. H. Brunner Allen M. Gehman W. S. Hottel

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1880-1			A. Strawu	A. Kauffman	Jonas Musselman		Jonas Musselman	A. Strawn	auffman Wm. Gehman Wm. Gehman A. Strawn Wm. Gehman Wm. Gehman A. Kauffman	
1879-0			A. Strawn	Wm. Gehman			Jonas Musselman	A. Strawn	Wm. Gehman	
1878-9			A. Strawn	Wm. Gehman			Jonas Musselman	A. Strawn	Wm. Gehman	
1877-8		D. Henning	Wm. Gehman	Wm. N. Shelly Wm. Gehman		S. Lambert	Jonas Musselman	S. M. Musselman	A. Strawn	
1876-7		D. Henning	A. Strawn	S. H. Frey		S. Lambert	S. M. Musselman	Jonas Musselman	Wm. Gehman	
1875-6	Wm. Gehman		Wm. N. Shelly	A. Kauffman		S. Lambert S. Lambert	Jonas Musselman		Wm. Gehman	
1874-5	Wm. Gehman	D. Henning	A. Strawn	S. Lambert			Tonas		A. K	
	Allentown	Bangor D. Henning	Coopersburg A. Strawn	FleetwoodS. Lai	Hatfield	Lancaster	Ouakertown Tonas I	Springtown	Zionsville	

1887-8 W. B. Musselman	O. Bitting D. W.B. Musselman	O. Bitting	G. A. Campbell M. D. Haws	G. A. Campbell A. Strawn	A. Kautiman Wm. Hefiner A. Kaufiman M. D. Haws
1886-7 Jonas Musselman	S. H. Frey Jonas Musselman		A. Strawn A. Kauffman	A. Strawn W.B. Musselman	A. Strawn M. D. Haws A. Kauffman
1885-6 1886-7 1887-8 1888-8 1885-8 1888-7 1888-8 1	W. B. Musselman S. M. Musselman S. H. Frey onas Musselman Jonas Musselman Jonas Musselm	S. M. Musselman	A. Kauffmau	an selman	Jonas Musselman Jonas Musselman A. Strawn M. D. Haws M. D. Haws M. D. Havs A. Strawn A. Strawn A. Kauffin
1884-5	A. Kauffman Jonas Musselman Jonas Musselman Jonas Musselman Jonas Musselman S. H. Frey O. Bitting	W. B. Musselman	A. Kauffman	A. Kaufiman W. B. Musselman	Jonas Musselman M. D. Haws A. Strawn
1883-4	A. Kauffman	Jonas Musselman Jonas Musselman S. M. Wusselman S. M. Musselman S. H. Frey A. Kanffman A. Kanffman A. Kanffman A. Kanffman A. Kanffman A. Kanffman	A. Strawn	A. Strawn S. H. Frey	A. Kauffman A. Kauffman Jonas Muss S. H. Frey M. D. Haws M. D. Haw Jonas Musselman Jonas Musselman A. Strawn
1882-3	A. Kauffman	Jonas Musselman	ısselman A. Strawn		A. Kauffman S. H. Frey Jonas Musselman
1881-2	A. Strawn	A. Kauffman	Jonas Musselman	Jonas Musselman	A. Strawn A. Kauffman
Rethlehem	BlandonA. Strawn	FleetwoodA. Kaufiman	Hatfield Jonas Mu	Ouskertown Jonas Musselman A. Strawn Reading	Springtown

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1894-5 O. S. Hillegass A. B. Gehret	J. B. Knerr L. B. Taylor R. D. Dreisbach	Wm. Gehman C. H. Brunner M. A. Zyner Wm. Gehman L. B. Taylor C. H. Brunner T. H. B. Musselman	J. E. Fidler W. Steinmetz A. B. Gebret	M. A. Zyner G. A. Campbell M. D. Haws C. H. Brunner		H. B. Musselman W. C. Betz L. B. Taylor	
1893-4 O. S. Hillegass A. B. Gehret	J. E. Fidler J. E. Fidler C. H. Brunner	Wm. Gehman M. A. Zyner Wm. Gehman C. H. Brunner T.	W. Steinmetz A. B. Gebret	A. B. Gehret M. A. Zyner M. A. Zyner O. S. Hillegass J. A. Moyer G. A. Campbell G. A. Campbel O. S. Hillegass M. D. Haws M. D. Haws H. B. Musselman H. B. Musselman C. H. Brunner	H. B. Musselman J. E. Fidler J. E. Fidler M. D. Haws M. D. Haws N. Detweiler T.	W. C. Betz Wm. Gehman	
1892-3 O. S. Hillegass A. B. Gebret	J. E. Fidler J. E. Fidler	Wm. Gehman M. A. Zyner Wm. Gehmau	A. B. Gehret	M. A. Zyner J. A. Moyer M. D. Haws H. B. Musselman	H. B. Musselman J. E. Fidler M. D. Haws	Supply Wm. Gehman	
1889-0 1890-1 1891-2 1892-3 W. B. Musselman W. B. Musselman W. B. Musselman M. D. Haws M. D. Haws M. D. Haws A. B. Gehret	J. E. Fidler J. E. Fidler	J. A. Moyer A. B. Gehret J. A. Moyer	M. D. Haws	A. B. Gehret O. S. Hillegass O. S. Hillegass H. B. Musselman	M. A. Zyner A. Strawn	G. A. Campbell J. A. Moyer	nacle Meetings
1890-1 W. B. Musselman M. D. Haws	A. B. Gehret A. B. Gehret A. B. Gehret	J. A. Moyer J. E. Fidler J. A. Moyer	M. D. Haws	J. E. Fidler O. S. Hillegass A. Strawn O. S. Hillegass	M. A. Zyner A. Strawn	G. A. Campbell G. A. Campbell J. A. Moyer	Nore-T, Tabernacle Meetings
189-0 1890-1 1890-1 W. B. Musselman W. B. Musselman W. B. Mussleman M. D. Haws	Ing A. B. Gehret A. B. Gehret A. B. Gehret	O. S. Hillegass J. E. Fidler G. A. Campbell M. D. Haws	J. E. Fidler W. B. Musselman M. D. Haws	G. A. Campbell O. S. Hillegass A. Kauffman I. E. Fidler	Σď	E. H. Flyte M. D. Haws	
1888-9 W. B. Musselman	O. Bitting O. Bitting	O. Bitting J. E. Fidler G. A. Campbell M. D. Haws	J. E. Fidler	G. A. Campbell A. Strawn A. Kauffman	Wm. Heffner A. Kauffman	M. D. Haws	
AllentownBethlehem	Coopersburg Emaus	Fleetwood O. Bitting Gratersford J. E. Fidler Harfelott G. A. Campbell Hereford M. D. Haws Lehighton O.	Nortistown Northampton	Quakertown Reading Remps	Spring City Springtown Terre Hill Walnutport.	Weissport	

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Allentown	1895-6 L. B. Taylor	1896-7 L. B. Taylor	1897-8 J. L. Boyer	· 1898-9 W. Steinmetz	1899-0 Steinmetz	1900-1 W. Steinmetz	1901-2 E. T. Shick
Athol			C. H. Brunner	J. G. Shireman	A. B. Musselman	W. K. Ziegler	E. N. Cassel
Bethlehem	O. S. Hillegass	O. S. Hillegass	H. B. Musselman C. H. Brunner	H. B. Musselman H. B. Musselman R. I. Woodring C. H. Brunner J. G. Shireman J. G. Shireman		R. L. Woodring E. N. Cassel	R. L. Woodring E. N. Cassel
Coopersburg W. St	W. Steinmetz	W. Steinmetz	W. Steinmetz	A. M. Clauser	A. M. Clanser & I., B. Tavlor	L. B. Taylor	E. W. Martin
Emaus L. B. Erwinna R. D.	L. B. Taylor R. D. Dreisbach	L. B. Taylor R. D. Dreisbach	A. B. Gebret J. H. Wesley	A. B. Gehret J. L. Boyer	Fidler	W. Steinmetz H. M. Soc.	
Fleetwood Girardville, Gratersford	C. H. Brunner	I. E. Fidler	, mi			E. T. Shick G. A. Campbell	E. N. Cassel T. E. Clewel G. A. Campbell
		G. A. Campbell	L. B. Taylor G. A. Campbell	B. Taylor K. Ziegler	A. Campbell K. Ziegler	G. A. Campbell J. C. Roth	G. A. Campbell J. C. Roth
Hereford Wm.	Wm. Gehman	Wm. Gehman	A. B. Gehret	A. B. Gehret	J. E. Fidler and F. E. Frev	J.G. Shiremau	J. G. Shireman
Lehighton	H. B. Musselman	Musselman H. B. Musselman O.	O. S. Hillegass	O. S. Hillegass & W. I. Fretz	man	R. D. Dreisbach	R. D. Dreisbach
Macungie Mt. Carmel				•	H. B. Musselman W. G. Gehman	W. G. Gehman	J. G. Shireman W. G. Gebman
Nazareth				J. B. Kuerr	G. A. Wentz and W. H. Merrill	W. F. Edmunds W. S. Hottel	W. S. Hottel
New Tripoli	,	;	A. M. Clauser	G. A. Campbell		C. M. Layton	R. Bergstreser
Northampton S. B. M.	S. B. Knerr A. M. Clauser	S. B. Knerr A. M. Clauser	W. K. Ziegler A. M. Clauser	W. K. Ziegler G. A. Campbell	H. M. Soc.	H. W. Fledges	W. J. Fretz H. M. Soc. H. M. Soc
Plainfield	J. B. Knerr			J. B. Knerr	G. A. Wentz	W. F. Edmonds	W. S. Hottel
	W. Steinmetz	G. A. Campbell	G. A. Campbell	W. K. Ziegler	•	J. C. Roth	J. C. Roth
Reading	G. A. Campbell	C. H. Brunner	C. H. Brunner	J. G. Shireman	=	W. K. Ziegler	W. K. Ziegler
RempsRoyersford	A. B. Gebret C. H. Brunner J. L. Boyer	A. B. Gehret J. E. Fidler J. L. Boyer	R. D. Dreisbach W. G. Gehman W. G. Gehman	R. D. Dreisbach W. G. Gehman W. G. Gehman	S. Hillegass D. Dreisbach D. Dreisbach	O. S. Hillegass W. J. Fretz W. J. Fretz	O. S. Hillegass W. J. Fretz W. J. Fretz
	W. Steinmetz	W. Steinmetz	W. Steinmetz	A. M. Clauser	A. M. Clauser L. B. Tavlor		E. W. Martin
South Allentown Terre Hill A. B. Walnutport A. M.	A. B. Gebret A. M. Clauser	A. B. Gehret A. M. Clauser	R. D. Dreisbach I. B. Knerr	п	S. Hillegass M. Layton	W. Steinmetz O. S. Hillegass C. M. Layton	W. Steinmetz O. S. Hillegass R. Bergstresser
Weissport	H. B. Musselman	Musselman H. B. Musselman O. S.	0. S. Hillegass	O. S. Hillegass and W. J. Fretz	<u>=</u>	R. D. Dreisbach	R. D. Dreisbach
Western Pa	J. E. Fidler Wm. Gehman	W. C. Betz Wm. Gehman	* A. B. Gehret	q		J. G. Shireman	J. G. Shireman
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_	1903-4	G-1061	٥	1900-7		1908-9
Allentown E. T. Shick	J. C. Roth	J. C. Roth	J. C. Roth		E. N. Cassel	E. N. Cassel
Athol W. K. Ziegler		E. T. Shick	H. F. Meltzer	J. C. Roth	ner	C. H. Brunner
Bethlehem W. G. Gebmar	п	W. G. Gehman	H. B. Musselman	\Box		J. C. Roth
Blandon I. G. Shireman	п	W. Zimmerman	N		_	F. M. Hottel
Coopersburg E. W. Martin		W. S. Hottel	W. S. Hottel			J. F. Barrall
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE

Nineteenth Annual Ministerial Convention

Bethlehem, Pa., October 7, 1908.

Forenoon Session, 9.15 A.M.

The Nineteenth Annual Ministerial Convention of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ of Pennsylvania convened in the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church, Laurel Street, Bethlehem, Pa., on October 7th at 9.15 A.M.

The convention was called to order by the Chairman, J. C. Roth, and opened with singing and prayer by Geo. A. Campbell.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers present: H. B. Musselman, O. S. Hillegass, H. K. Kratz, P. J. Musselman, E. T. Shick, C. W. Stine, W. W. Zimmerman, R. Bergstresser, E. N. Cassel, Geo. A. Campbell, W. S. Hottel, W. G. Gehman, F. M. Hottel, E. E. Kublic, J. C. Roth, J. G. Shireman, R. L. Woodring, J. F. Barrall, C. H. Brunner, W. J. Fretz, L. B. Taylor, V. H. Reinhard.

Ministers absent: W. B. Musselman, William Gehman.

Delegates present: M. E. Stickler, J. A. Kern, Allen M. Gehman, S. H. Lichenthaler, O. B. Bartholomew, G. O. Billig, H. H. Bergey, H. E. Gackenbach, H. L. Musselman, G. Ray Klinger, M. M. Ziegler, J. H. Baus, R. D. Dreisbach, E. R. Hartman.

Delcyates absent: G. K. Himmelreich, R. T. Laudenslager, S. S. Geil, John Ziegler.

Advisory members present: C. A. Parson, J. T. Anderson, G. F. Yost, E. F. Richard, D. H. Manney, H. A. Kauffman, G. M. Reinhold.

WHEREAS, The minutes of the last Annual Convention are not here, therefore,

Resolved, That we have the minutes read out of the conference journal, and that the minutes of the last Annual Convention be produced before the close of the Annual Conference and a committee be appointed by this Convention to examine the minutes.

Resolved, That seats to the right and left of the Chair and the first two pews through the church constitute the convention bar.

Resolved, That all Annual Conference members be members of this Convention and all workers present be advisory members.

Resolved, That no one shall be allowed to speak on any subject longer than ten minutes and only once, except by permission of the Chair.

Resolved, That the Chairman appoint a reporter and a timekeeper. He appointed R. L. Woodring reporter, and

G. A. Campbell, timekeeper.

Resolved, That the Chairman appoint a committee of three on publication. He appointed H. B. Musselman, R. L. Woodring and J. G. Shireman.

Resolved, That the Chairman appoint the committee to examine the minutes of the last Annual Convention. He appointed W. S. Hottel, J. F. Barrall and R. Bergstresser.

Resolved, That the Chairman appoint a committee to deal with absent members of this Convention. He appointed W.

G. Gehman, C. H. Brunner and H. B. Musselman.

Resolved, That no one shall be allowed to leave the Convention without the permission of the Chair, except H. L. Musselman.

An essay on "Our Home Missionary Work," by W. G. Gehman, was read, discussed and received.

Resolved, That we lift an offering to defray the expenses of this Convention.

Adjourned by prayer by C. H. Brunner and benediction by J. G. Shireman.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 2 P.M.

The afternoon session was opened at 2 P.M. by singing and prayer by W. G. Gehman, after which the roll was called and the minutes of the forenoon session read and approved.

The following committee report was submitted and received: Committee to deal with the members that are absent from

this Convention.

Whereas, The brethren, W. B. Musselman and Wm. Gehman, and a few of the delegates are not in attendance at this Convention, and not having learned the cause of their absence, therefore,

Resolved, That we, as a Convention, are sorry to miss their presence and wise counsel and wish to commend them to the God of all grace who knoweth the hearts of all men, and further,

Resolved, That the Convention is highly pleased to have so many of the Annual Conference Delegates present, and are sorry that not all manifested interest enough to be present and receive the benefits of this Convention.

C. H. Brunner, H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman, Committee. An essay entitled "The Wide Awake Pastor and his Work," by E. N. Cassel, was read, discussed and received.

Resolved, That we have a message in song by the "Old Quartet." A hymn entitled "I'm Safe When with Jesus," was sung.

Resolved, That we lift a liberal offering for the labor and expenses of the Secretary. The offering amounted to \$5.50. Thanks.

H. Horace Romig, Pastor of Bethany Mission of the United Evangelical Church of Bethlehem, was introduced to the Convention.

An essay entitled "Present Day Dangers Confronting the Church," by C. H. Brinner, was read, discussed and received.

The following Committee report was submitted and received. Committee on Publication: We recommend that the essay on "The Wide Awake Pastor and His Work," by E. N. Cassel, be published in the "Gospel Banner," and that the essay on "Present Day Dangers Confronting the Church," by C. H. Brunner, be published in booklet form (without delay) for judicious distribution.

H. B. Musselman,

R. L. Woodring,

J. G. Shireman, Committee.

Resolved, That we hold another Ministerial Convention a day prior to the next Annual Conference and at the same place.

The following officers were elected for the next Ministerial Convention:

Chairman, C. H. Brunner; Secretary, J. F. Barrall.

Committee. H. B. Musselman, Chairman. R. L. Woodring,

J. C. Roth, Secretary.

Resolved, That we tender a rising vote of thanks to the members of the Bethlehem Class for their kindness and hospitality shown to us during this Convention.

The questions in the question box were answered by E. T.

Shick and H. B. Musselman.

The minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved. *

The Convention was adjourned by prayer by H. B. Musselman and benediction by W. G. Gehman.

J. C. Roth, Chairman. E. N. Cassel, Secretary.

H. B. Musselman.

J. C. Roth,

E. T. Shick, Committee.









